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ITALIAN PRIEST SPYING STORY DISCOUNTED

Throwing new light on the Reuter report from Chungking, published in the "China Mail" yesterday, of alleged spying activities by Italian priests, a statement was issued this afternoon by the Franciscan Procuration in Hong Kong.

The priests, it will be recalled, were reported by Reuter (quoting the Central News Agency) to have been accused by Chinese at Laohoku, in north-west Hupeh, of espionage activities on behalf of the Japanese. They were said to have despatched messages by wireless from their mission.

INSTALLED BY MILITARY

The Franciscan Procuration in Hong Kong states that the wireless set in the Mission was actually installed by the Chinese military authorities a month ago.

Certain elements, obviously irresponsible, lodged the accusation of espionage against the priests, who are now being protected by the Chinese military.

The previous report that the priests had promised to leave China within a week and to hand over Mission affairs to the Chinese, is branded by the Franciscan Procuration here as quite groundless.

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Haiphong, To-day.

High-handed action by the commander of a Japanese warship against a British merchant vessel was revealed here this morning. Shells were fired across her bows and she was kept in Japanese naval control for 18 hours.

The British ship was the "Cambay Prince," owned by Sulleiman Kar Mohammed, of Bombay, and she was stopped by a Japanese warship off the Ladrone Islands a few miles south of Hong Kong.

Exceeding their rights, which are confined to stopping British ships to ascertain their identity, the Japanese man-of-war boarded the "Cambay Prince" and, holding her eighteen hours, took photographs of a large cargo of trucks on the deck of the vessel.

The trucks were being transported from Hong Kong to Haiphong, for transport to Yunnanfu via Hanoi. The incident occurred some little time ago, but has only just been officially confirmed.

Several hundred trucks have been landed at Haiphong in recent weeks from Hong Kong, and about 300 still remain to be transported to China.

That the Japanese intend to back up their protests to the authorities in French Indo-China

against transport of these vehicles to China by photographic evidence, is indicated by the repeated action of Japanese in taking photographs of the shipments.

Japanese from the "Nagasaki

AMERICAN GIRL TAKEN ILL IN AIR FRANCE PLANE BOUND FOR H. K.

Miss Enid Sanders, 20-year-old American girl, whose parents reside in Shanghai, was taken ill on board the Air France liner during the trip from Hanoi to Hong Kong this morning and was rushed to hospital by ambulance as soon as the plane alighted at Kai Tack.

It is understood that Miss Sanders was suffering from an internal complaint which developed acutely during the air voyage.

"Maru" took several pictures of the trucks, some of which are marked with the Red Cross, while the others appear to be for military purposes. — Our Own Correspondent.

Britain Holds Key To Far East Situation

London, To-day.

"It is of course one thing for Japan to denounce the Nine-Power Treaty and quite another thing for her to get away with it," says the "Manchester Guardian" in a leader this morning.

"The United States Government is known to be particularly determined that she shall not do so, and it is obvious that both Britain and the United States are in a position to take retaliatory measures.

"Key to the situation is obviously Britain—that Britain which, under the National Government, is yielding to aggression all over the world.

"If Britain can be persuaded by threats to agree to revision of the Nine-Power Treaty, and to recognise the 'new order' in East Asia, might not the United States fall into line?

"The only policy that can have success is a show of firmness in China (and in Europe), and to co-operate closely with the United States Government.

"As long as Britain and the United States maintain a common front in the Far East, Japan can do little, and in this way we may yet save our interests in China and, what is more important, China herself."—Reuter.

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HITLER—SOCIALIST

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IT required an Austrian to lift up Germany, and an anti-Marxist to impose Socialism upon her.

Hitler gave fair warning. Roughly half of the Twenty-five Unalterable Points of the Nazi creed, laid down in 1920, would make the British Labour Party shudder at their extremism.

(I) Abolition of unearned income. (II) ruthless seizure of all war profits; (III) nationalisation of trusts; (IV) share-out of profits from wholesale trade; (V) ban on land speculation; (VI) death for crimes against the nation, for profiteers, usurers and exploiters; (VII) communalisation of chain stores; and so on.

As for Mein Kampf (My Struggle), there Hitler pours forth sentiments that have brought cheering to their feet millions of workers, and hundreds of thousands of ex-Socialists and Communists. Here are the drum notes:

"The National-Socialist State recognises no class distinction. There will be no class war in the Nazi Reich because there is no aristocracy and no proletariat. Every German has the same rights—and the same duties." "The leaders do not come from the thin layer of the cream of society." They come from the deep mass of the nation itself. "Down with the finance-capitalists! Down with the bank-usurers! Smash the thralldom of interest!"

You can hear the bay of the mob.

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Hitler knew poverty. Like Mussolini, who stole bread, he went often to the doss-house, and sometimes to the work-house, hungry. His years in Vienna as a brick-labourer, sign painter, and sometime draughtsman, he tells us, gave him the hardest and most thorough schooling in his whole life.

"Besides the host of high officers, State bureaucrats, artists and professors, there was a still greater

host of workers. Crushing poverty lay side by side with the wealth of the aristocracy and merchant class. Thousands of unemployed hung about the palaces of the Ringstrasse, and below that *via triumphalis* those who had no homes of any kind crowded in the dinginess and filth of the canals. No German town could be better for studying the social problem than Vienna."

"But let there be no nonsense about this," says grimly the man who knew the filth of the canals, "this studying cannot be done from above. No one who is not caught up in the coils of this poisonous snake can get to know its poison fangs; the others display nothing but shallow chatter and fake sentimentality."

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Bitterly Hitler inveighs against the people who simply ignore the horror called poverty. But even more he hates the supercilious, interfering, tactless condescension of



German youth must have pride in the greatness and glory of the Fatherland, says Hitler.

fashionable ladies. They mean well and they do nothing but harm. "Such minds refuse to grasp that welfare work is beside the point," thunders this terrific agitator. "For it is not a question of distributing favours but of restoring rights!"

Pride of race lies at the bottom of Hitler's socialism as it is the bedrock of his nationalism. He lashes the bourgeoisie which rises up in moral indignation because some wretched tramp has said he doesn't care if he is a German or not, and that all he wants to do is stay alive. These well fed folk express their abhorrence of such sentiments, but what have they got themselves that is better? Pride in the greatness and glory of the Fatherland depends on knowing its history, its mighty achievements in art and culture. How much do they know of it? And what chance of ever knowing had the miserable dregs of their society?

No! No! says Hitler, you cannot have a great nation divided thus. It must be single, and whole. You must do that "not by debasing the higher classes but by raising the lower ones." But the class entrusted with this process can never be the higher one, but the one which is battling for equality. The bourgeoisie themselves were not invited into power by the nobility. They forced their way in, and by their own methods.

But though Hitler tells the workers to fight for their rights, they must not do it at the expense of the greater whole, which is the nation. The worker who makes extortionate demands is as bad as the employer who "misuses the working strength of the nation by inhuman methods of exploitation, making extortionate profits out of the sweat of millions."

So the class war is rejected. "Our aim is not to produce an upheaval in the national camp but to win the

anti-national camp over to our cause."

Now the ground is cleared for the assault on the preachers of the class war. These are the Social-Democrats and the Communists. Naturally (for Hitler), the worst of them are Jews. It is the Jews who have seized on the trade unions and used them as the battering ram of the class war.

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Poverty drove the workers into the trade union movement. And that was no bad thing. The Fatherland was the better for having an institution which aimed at improving the lot of a class which was one of its main pillars. It was only when the Socialists got their hands on the levers that trouble began. Bribery, corruption and intimidation became the order. Hitler suffered himself. His mates on the building job cut him dead when he refused to join the union. They were ready to make him stone dead, too. "A fine idea of democracy. 'If you won't join us we'll crack your skull for you.'"

Behind what he brands as the gigantic fraud of trade union democracy, beyond the grimacing nonsense of Marxism, Hitler sees once more his sworn enemy, the eternal adversary of the German race, the Jew. The Jew appoints himself to be spokesman of the masses, mingling with their just demands a series of impossible threats, and thus deludes them.

Hitler marched boldly up against the great Socialist and Trade Union bureaucracy. In his own party he forged the instrument to smash them. He called it the National Socialist German Workers' Party (N.D.S.A.P.) which annoyed the Socialists. He drove them to frenzy when he adopted red as the party colour. It was done deliberately.

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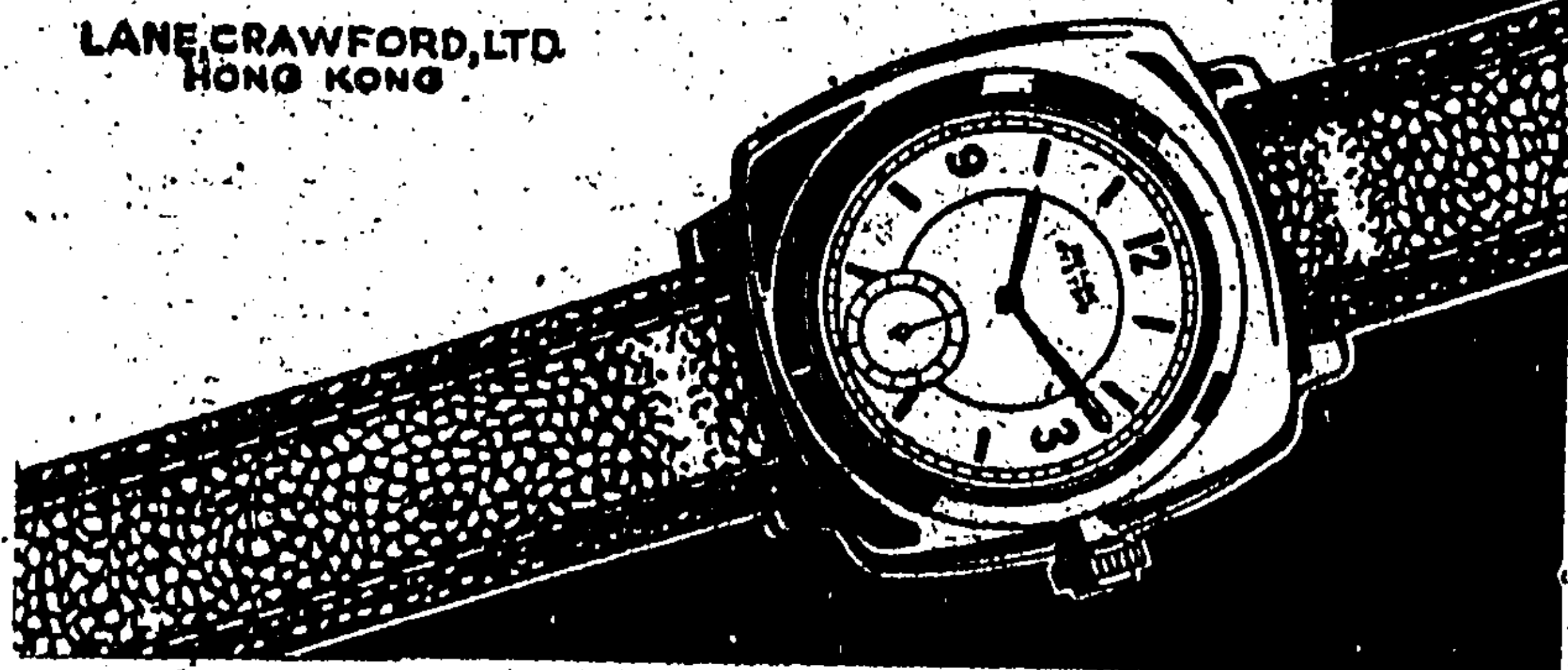
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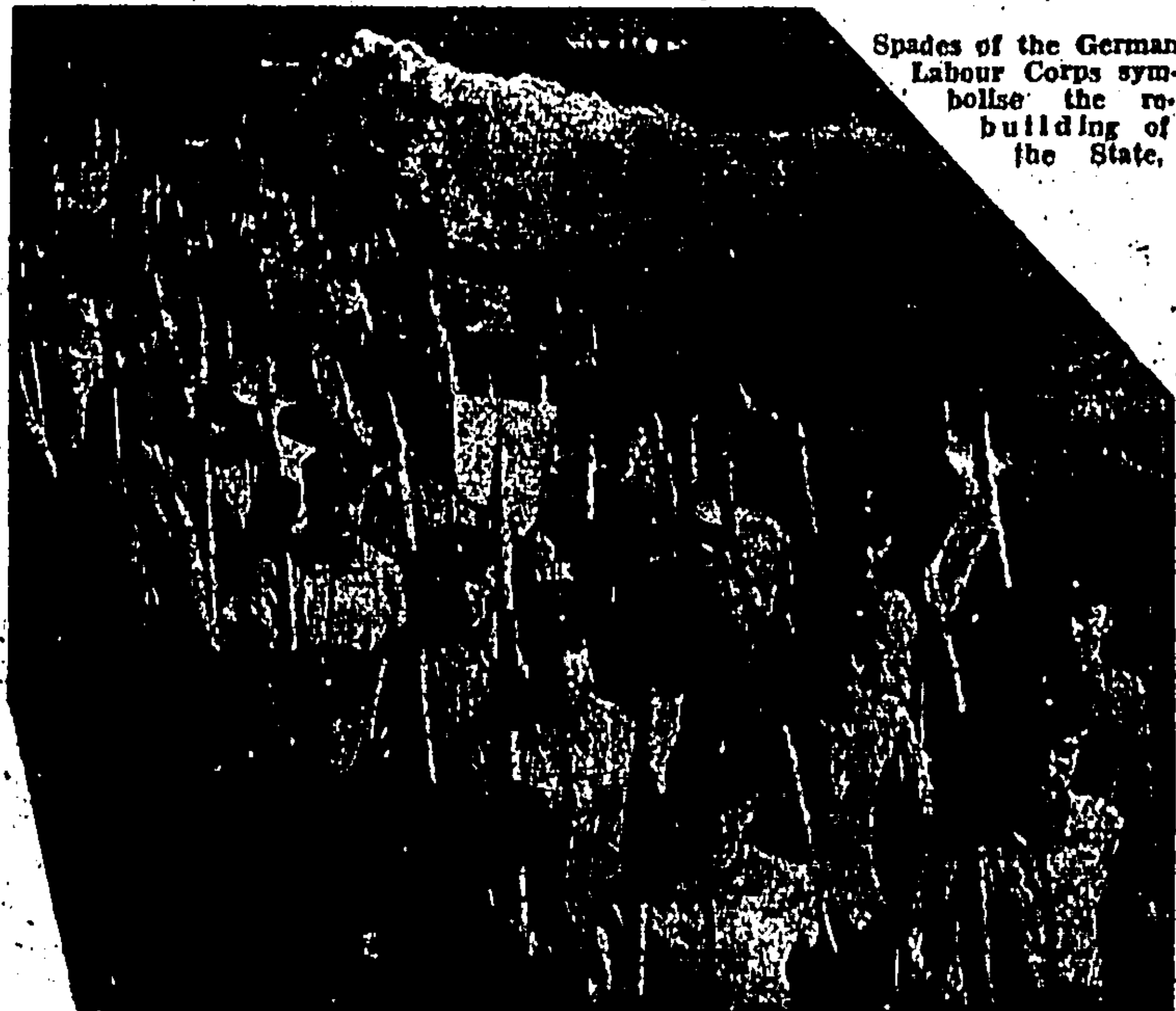
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JAPANESE PLANS FOR CHINA

London, To-day.
The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, replied in the negative in the House of Commons yesterday when asked if he had been officially informed of the future Japanese intentions as to foreign capital investments in China in all enterprises considered "essential to defence" and "economically necessary" to Japan.—Reuter.

ANTI-JAPANESE POSTER PARADE IN LONDON

London, To-day.

Prominent Society people and stage and film stars, including Lady Layton, Lady Gladstone and Lady Bonham-Carter, are taking part in a poster parade amid Christmas shoppers on Monday next.

The posters will protest "against the barbarous bombardment of Chinese civilians by the Japanese."

The parade has been organised by the British National Committee of the International Peace Campaign, and will also urge shoppers to refuse to buy Japanese goods.—Reuter.

HITLER--SOCIALIST

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to anger the Left, get them in a rage and so induce them to come to our meetings — if only in order to break them up—so we got our chance of talking to them." In violence the Nazis quickly out-did the Left. Bottles and beer mugs flew in the taverns and beer-halls; the revolver and the knife were busy.

Hitler's onslaught on the Socialists is that they betray the worker. He does not forget to remind the worker that there is another fellow doing that too—the capitalist exploiter. For the purpose of unmasking this villainy, Hitler discovers two kinds of capital, one which is the outcome of creative labour, the other which owes its existence to speculation. This second capital enables Hitler to thunder against the Stock Exchange manipulators and international usurers.

So Hitler hammers Socialist betrayers and the capitalist exploiters together as the partners in a gigantic conspiracy against the German workers.

He marches forward towards a conception which is both nationalist and socialist. He proceeds to lay the ground plan of the commonwealth which he believes will be the model of the future world order.

To-morrow Hitler expounds what the National Socialist world will look like.

London, To-day.
Answering several questions relative to revision of the Nine-Power Treaty, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, reiterated that the Government was unable to recognise any alterations in the position as defined in the treaties brought about by unilateral action.

Mr. William Gallacher (Communist, West Fife)—"Is the Minister not aware that the treaty is being revised without notice, just as the war started in China without notice?"

Mr. Butler—"I am fully aware of the difficulty of the position in the Far East, and it is under our constant review. Perhaps Mr. Gallacher will take assurance from the answer I have given."—Reuter.

WILL NAVY TAKE INDEPENDENT ACTION?

London, To-day.

Asked in the House of Commons yesterday whether he proposed to direct His Majesty's ships to remove the boom across the international highway, the Yangtse River, the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, stated that the Japanese Government claimed that the Kiangyin boom was opened only sufficiently to provide a passage for Japanese warships and military transports.

Difficulties arising from the position were at present "under review," he added.—Reuter.

CHINA'S GHOST ARMY KEEPS JAP. NERVES ON EDGE

Shanghai, To-day.

Grave concern is felt by the Japanese military authorities here regarding the recent increased activities of China's "Ghost" army along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway Line.

The disappearance of sentries have increased considerably, and the track is being constantly wrecked by "invisible" hands.

Squads of Japanese soldiers, posted along the line, disappear overnight and nothing is heard of them afterwards.

The "invisible" army raided the Japanese at Wushih a few days ago at night. The station was almost completely destroyed. Several Japanese troops, including two officers were killed. One officer was captured by the raiders.

The Japanese flagship "Idzumo" returned to Shanghai on Wednesday. — Our Own Correspondent.

FINANCIAL AID TO CHINA

London, To-day.

The lobby correspondent of the "Financial Times" says that the British Government is considering the possibility of granting China financial aid in order to counteract Japan's economic drive contrary to the open door policy of the Nine-Power Treaty.—Reuter.

MR. BUTLER SHIES AT SPAIN INTERROGATION

LONDON, TO-DAY.

A SERIES OF PARLIAMENTARY QUESTIONS DEALING WITH THE ALLEGED EXTENT AND CONTINUANCE OF ITALIAN ASSISTANCE TO THE NATIONALIST FORCES IN SPAIN, AND CALLING FOR A FRESH REPORT, WERE REPLIED TO IN THE COMMONS BY THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

Mr. Butler said he could not take the responsibility for making a statement about the military dispositions on either side in the conflict.

In reply to supplementary questions he said that reports from British agents in Spain and other countries were constantly being received but he could not undertake any further initiative in the matter.

UNABLE TO DENY

He said he was unable to deny that there had been a certain amount of assistance from Italian sources, but he would not like it to be thought that this amounted to much more than replacement, and it certainly did not constitute any increase in the personnel of Italian troops.

After further questions, Miss Ellen Wilkinson (Labour) said she would raise the matter on the motion for adjournment. — British Wireless.

Japanese Discrimination Against British Exports

London, To-day.

Sir John Haslam (Conservative, Bolton) asked the Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs in the House of Commons yesterday whether he was aware that exporters of soya beans from Manchuria had to pay 14d. per yen to the Japanese authorities in order to secure exchange.

Did he know, added Sir John, that the Japanese Mitsui combine was sold exchange at much lower rate, and would he direct the attention of the Japanese Government to the discrepancy.

Mr. R. A. Butler replied that no report on the subject had been received but he would make

enquiries.

Asked by Sir John Haslam whether he was aware that the Japanese authorities at Tsingtao had placed an embargo on the export of cotton yarns, Mr. Butler replied that an embargo on the export of cotton, and not specifically on cotton yarn, from Tientsin, was promulgated on Dec. 6, and the matter was now under consideration. — Reuter.

SOVIET OFFICIAL ON SPY CHARGE

NEW YORK, TO-DAY.

IT WAS REVEALED YESTERDAY THAT MIKHAIL GORIN, MANAGER OF THE LOS ANGELES OFFICE OF THE SOVIET INTOURIST BUREAU, HAS BEEN UNDER ARREST SINCE MONDAY ON CHARGES OF ESPIONAGE.

M. Ivan Ushkin, Soviet vice-consul at New York, is flying to Los Angeles to investigate the case.

Gorin, an erstwhile Russian consular official, was arrested with Hafis Salich, a naturalised American, who is stated to have at one time been an agent of the United States Intelligence Service.

Bail was fixed at \$25,000 each.—Reuter.

JAPANESE CELEBRATE

Tientsin, To-day.

Elaborate celebrations were held in the Japanese area of Tientsin yesterday on the occasion of the first anniversary of formation of the Peiping provisional government, the day being proclaimed a holiday.

Numerous official functions were held.

Chinese and Japanese officials exercised the most extensive precautions, including holding up of all traffic entering and leaving the Japanese area and the French Concession.

All passengers and pedestrians were searched and had to discard cigarettes and matches before approaching the barriers.

There was an unprecedented traffic jam but no incidents are reported. — Reuter.

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confirmed by the Ministry for the
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conveying a surgeon and nursing
personnel as well as medical sup-
plies, has been sent from Saigon to
the scene of the accident 250 miles
away and that the King will be
transported to Saigon. — Trans-
Ocean.**H. K. Jockey Club
Sued For Libel**A special jury composed of Mr.
J. Fleming (foreman), Messrs. Lo
Luk-fong, I. H. Geare, T. B. Wil-
son, L. Dunbar, C. Champkin and
R. M. McLay, was called at the
Supreme Court this morning when
the case was opened in which Mr.
T. H. G. Brayfield is suing the
Hong Kong Jockey Club for dam-
ages for libel.The alleged libel consisted of the
posting of plaintiff's name at the
Jockey Club as a defaulter.Mr. H. C. MacNamara, instructed
by Mr. G. S. Hugh-Jones, appears
for Mr. Brayfield and Mr. Eldon
Potter, K.C., with Mr. H. G. Shel-
don, instructed by Mr. G. G. N.
Tinson, is representing the Jockey
Club.The name of Mr. S. T. Butlin,
called for the special jury, was chal-
lenged by Mr. Potter because of his
connection with the Jockey Club
secretaries and and treasurers.**ATTACK ON REPUTATION**In opening the case, Mr. Mac-
Namara said the action had been
started as the posting constituted an
attack on his client's reputation.
Mr. Brayfield was a marine sur-
veyor, generally well-known through-
out the Colony and a Justice of the
Peace. He was engaged in the sport
of racing and besides having ponies
at the H. K. Jockey Club stables,
maintained a private stable.The question of libel arose when
his client's name was posted at the
end of March as a defaulter.He pointed out that a "defaulter"
was a person who would not or could
not pay.The sum involved was \$9.10, al-
leged to be the balance of a bill for
fodder supplied to Mr. Brayfield's
ponies.**AMOUNT DISPUTED**Mr. MacNamara read correspon-
dence passing between his client
and the Jockey Club showing that
Mr. Brayfield had continually press-
ed for substantial proof of the
amount claimed.The actual bill came to \$19.60,
and Mr. Brayfield paid \$10.50 which
he admitted to be due, taking the
position that he was not liable for
the balance of \$9.10.Mr. Brayfield paid the amount
on May 2 because he would have
ceased to be a member had he notdone so, although he continued to
deny liability.Counsel pointed out that the Club
had other alternatives than posting
his client as a defaulter.**ALTERNATIVE METHODS**Mr. Brayfield had, in fact,
through Messrs. Wilkinson and
Grist, suggested that the Club
should sue him for the \$9.10, but
the Club did not reply. The mat-
ter could easily have been settled
in court.Furthermore, the regulations of
the Stable Sub-Committee gave
them the power to seize any prop-
erty of his client at the Club.Mr. Thomas Henry Gordon Bray-
field, in the witness-box, stated that
he had been a member of the Hong
Kong Jockey Club since 1909. In
1935, he paid two small sums for
excess forage. He paid the bills
because satisfactory reasons were
supplied.He maintained two ponies, Salvage
Master and Ship's Master, at the
Hong Kong Jockey Club. The Club
supplied each pony with 13 pounds
of forage per day.Asked whether he made arrange-
ments with the Club for extra fod-
der, plaintiff replied "Certainly not!
except my own."**EXTRA FEED**At the beginning of this year
plaintiff was advised that 13 pounds
of forage was insufficient for a hard
working pony and he gave his
ponies an extra 2½ pounds of soya
beans, grain and broken maize each
day. For that reason, he was
rather surprised to receive a bill for
\$9.10 for excess forage alleged to
have been consumed by one of his
ponies.Plaintiff said that Mr. Pearce
demanded that he pay the \$9.10, but
plaintiff insisted that substantial
proof of the excess fodder be pro-
duced.Mr. Pearce, added plaintiff, spoke
in an irascible manner so he (plain-
tiff) took off his hat and went away.
Mr. Brown, he stated, would not
listen to his proposal to take the
cubic capacity of the fodder basins.Cross-examined by Mr. Potter,
plaintiff said that if the trainer, To
Kau-po, had given his pony the ex-
tra 91 pounds of fodder he would
have paid, although he would have
been annoyed and surprised.**TRAINER'S POSITION**In reply to another question, he
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SURPRISE GRANT OF BAIL TO DENNIS CORRIGAN

London, To-day.

An unexpected development occurred in the China Arms Case yesterday when Dennis Corrigan, one of the defendants, was granted bail.

Previously the magistrate had refused every application for bail for Corrigan, though bail was granted to the other defendants, the Willings.

Yesterday, Corrigan, who with Frederick and James Willing, was committed to trial, was granted bail of £1,000 on his surety promising that Corrigan will report to the police daily.

Corrigan and the Willings face charges of having conspired with a mystery Chinese, Chou Tin-shu, alleged (but denied by the Chinese Embassy) to be a relative of General Chiang Kai-shek and Dr. H. H. Kung, to defraud a Paris arms agent.

It will be recalled that cases purporting to contain arms for China were found to be filled with rubbish. —Reuter.

ITALIAN CLUB OWNER IN TUNIS ARRESTED

TUNIS, TO-DAY.

THE ITALIAN OWNER OF AN ITALIAN CLUB HAS BEEN ARRESTED ON A CHARGE OF INCENDIARISM.

The club was set on fire on Saturday last.

Calm has been restored to the city and the country.

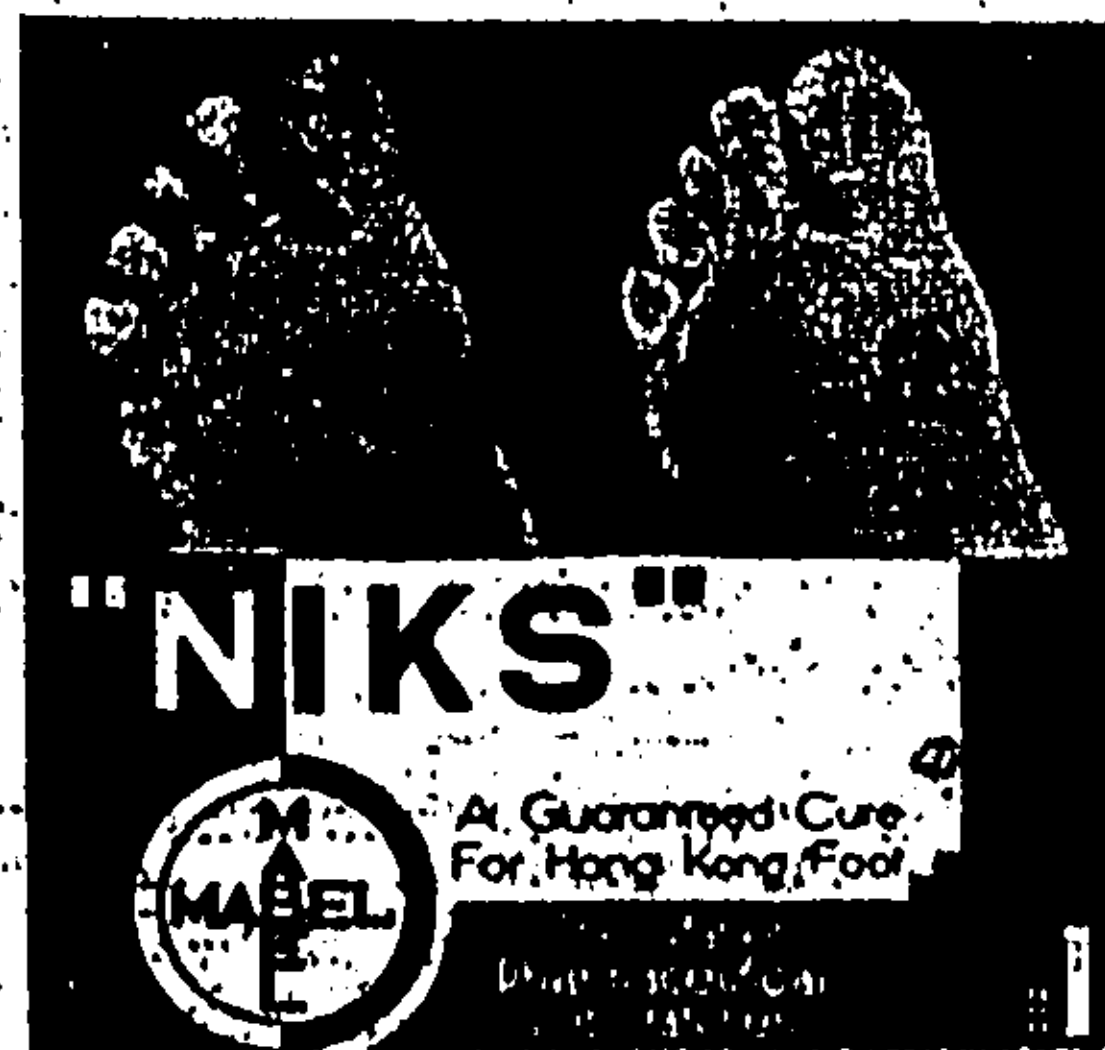
It is declared that the Italian press greatly exaggerated the damage suffered during the recent demonstrations and the French authorities declare that the total does not exceed £85. —Reuter.

ZIONISTS NOT PLEASED

London, To-day.

A spokesman of the Jewish agency declares that headquarters of the agency have received messages from all parts of the world urging reconsideration of the decision to participate in the forthcoming Palestine discussions.

He ascribed this attitude to bitterness among the Zionists at Mr. Malcolm Macdonald's statement in the House of Commons regarding immigration of Jewish refugees to Palestine. —Reuter.



QUARANTINE AGAINST WEST

Lima, To-day.

Three proposals for "quarantining" the Western Hemisphere against foreign propaganda, drafted by Argentina, Uruguay and Brazil, are now before the committee of the Pan-American Conference.

The spontaneous applause that greeted the Haitian delegate's denunciation of countries governed by theories of racial and religious intolerance, is considered significant.

At the end of the speech, five German Nazi news correspondents walked out as protest!

It is understood the United States delegation intends to introduce a resolution pledging the American Republics to do everything possible to reduce tariff barriers.

The peace committee at present is considering a resolution opposing recognition of territory conquered "by force, undue pressure or threat of force." —Reuter.

AIRCRAFT WORKS STRIKE IN GLOUCESTER

London, To-day.

Over 1,000 men are affected by a strike at an aircraft company's works at Brockworth, Gloucester, yesterday. The strike is stated to be unofficial.

It is understood that the trouble arose in connection with dismissal of a worker in consequence of an alleged breach of the works regulations.

The shop stewards made efforts to obtain the man's reinstatement but were unsuccessful. —Reuter.

DR. KUNDT TO KEEP PRAGUE OFFICE

Prague, To-day.

Dr Kundt, Chairman of the National Socialist German Club in Prague, called on the Czech Premier, Herr Beran, yesterday, and discussed with him matters of political interest in a talk lasting two hours.

It was agreed that Dr. Kundt's office in Prague should keep the Czech Government informed of matters pertaining to the German section of the population and that any questions arising should be made the subject of joint discussions. —Trans-Ocean.

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MOTHER OF HONG KONG SOLDIER RALLIES ON ARRIVAL OF SON AT HOME

London, To-day.

The considerate action of the War Office in ordering the special release of Corporal John Walker, of the R.A.M.C., stationed in Hong Kong, has brought joy to his mother, who is on the danger list at St. Leonard's Hospital.

It was the mother's constant calls for her only son that induced Mr. E. Thirtle, Labour M.P. for Shoreditch, to intervene at the War Office.

The latter telegraphed instructions to Hong Kong that Walker's leave be advanced to enable him to hurry home.

The troopship "Dorsetshire" had sailed the previous day, but Walker caught the N.D.L. liner "Gneisenau" later and reached Southampton last

night, a day ahead of the "Dorsetshire."

His mother, who showed marked improvement on hearing that her son was returning, became still better when informed that John had arrived and would visit her this morning.—Reuter.

ITALIAN CHAMBER MEETS FOR LAST TIME

Rome, To-day.

The old Fascist Chamber met here for the last time on Wednesday. It passed the Italian Race Law and the Bill creating a new "Fascist Co-Operative Chamber".

The new Chamber will meet for the first time in March. At the conclusion of the last meeting of the old Chamber it was announced, in the presence of the Duce, that every Deputy without regard to age or the state of health would, in case of war, have to go to the front.—Trans-Ocean.

BERLIN VIEW OF CHAMBERLAIN SPEECH

Berlin, To-day.

Comment in the leading Berlin newspapers on the speech which the British Prime Minister made at the jubilee banquet of the Foreign Press Association is restricted to a few marginal remarks to the effect that most of his arguments were sound and reasonable and addressed to his opponents at home.

Some of the German papers make short reference to the fact that the German Ambassador found himself obliged to stay away.

The manner, however, in which this incident is reported shows a desire to avoid making a sensation of it.

The "Berliner Tageblatt" and the "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung" dismiss the matter as something not worth getting excited about although the latter paper points out that as the guest of the F.P.A., Mr. Chamberlain placed the German members in an exceedingly awkward position.

Had it been his intention to reprimand them it would have been more tactful to choose as theatre the House of Commons. The rules of after dinner speeches are, the paper adds, after all, the same in all countries. — Trans-Ocean.

JAPAN REJECTS SOVIET OFFER

Moscow, To-day.

The Japanese Ambassador to Moscow, Mr. Togo, has informed M. Litvinov, the Foreign Commissar, that the Japanese Government have rejected the proposals made on December 8 by the Soviet for settlement of the fisheries dispute.

The Soviet conditions, namely (1) diminution of the fishery waters by more than 10 per cent., (2) determination of the shares in the areas without reference to former special arrangements, are, in the opinion of the Tokyo Government, not reconcilable with the fishery rights hitherto conceded to the Japanese.—Trans-Ocean.

Quarantine restrictions imposed by the Government of Japan against arrivals from Hong Kong on account of cholera have been removed.



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MacDonald's "Will Empire Fall To Pieces" Speech

Attracts Attention Of Dominions And House

Mr. Shinwell Asked To Read Speech As A Whole

London, To-day.

There was a minor reaction in the House of Commons yesterday to the startling speech made by the Dominions and Colonial Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, at the Constitutional Club the previous day.

Mr. Macdonald, it will be recalled, stated: "... some suggest that the Empire will fall to pieces. I sometimes wonder if, before I leave the Dominions Office, I shall not find that the people who prophesied that are right."

Yesterday in the House, an echo of this speech was heard when Mr. Macdonald was replying to a suggestion that he appoints a commission to visit all parts of the Colonial Empire and mandate territories to ascertain what dependencies were capable of further development.

Mr. Macdonald declared that while he was in sympathy with the objectives of the question, he did not feel the appointment of such a commission was an effective method of achieving them.

REVISED IDEAS?

Mr. Ernest Shinwell (Labour, Seaham) — "May I ask whether the Minister has revised his ideas about the future of the British Empire?"

Mr. Macdonald — "I hope Mr. Shinwell will read the latter part, as well as the former part, of my speech delivered yesterday." (Ministerial cheers).

Towards the end of his speech, Mr. Macdonald declared that while there were disintegrating forces at work, there were also vital forces knitting all parts of the Empire closely together. — Reuter.

DO NOT KNOW THE PHRASE

Adelaide, To-day.

"Let us hear less of the defeatists' hopelessly one-sided picture of the Empire threatened and the Navy unable to cope with defence," declared the Australian Premier, Mr. J. A. Lyons, addressing a spectacular defence rally yesterday.

While emphasising the need for recruits, he added: "Because of the depth of our faith in democracy we do not know the phrase 'Decline of the British Empire.'" — Reuter.

"FACED UP TO FACTS"

Johannesburg, To-day.

The "Star," in an editorial, asserts that Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, in his speech on the Empire at the Constitutional Club, faced

up to facts which it would be worse than foolish to ignore.

The newspaper maintains that the speech was remarkable for its moral courage, commonsense and candour, which never comes amiss when inspired by a spirit of friendly co-operation, mutual help and an earnest desire to avoid dangers which, unless clearly realised beforehand, might bring disaster. — Reuter.

INTERESTING HAMBURG INVENTION

Hamburg, To-day.

The first mobile ice-making machine, believed destined to revolutionise the whole system of refrigeration, has been perfected by a Hamburg inventor, F. W. Fechner.

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The chief uses of this new machine will be on ships at sea, above all on those engaged in deep sea fishing, where great economy should be realised if drinking water could be made from salt water, and where a constant supply of ice would enable any quantity of fish to be kept fresh by refrigeration. — Trans-Ocean.

NAZI ACTION ON SUEZ DENIED

Berlin, To-day.

Foreign reports stating that in a long conversation between the Reichs Foreign Minister, von Ribbentrop, and the Egyptian Minister in Berlin, Dr. Mourat Siid-Ahmed Pasha, questions connected with the Suez Canal were discussed, are pure invention states an official communique issued last night. — Trans-Ocean.

NAZI YOUTH CONVICTED OF PANAMA ESPIONAGE

Cristobal, (Panama), To-day.

Hans Heinrich Schackow, one of four Germans, including a girl, arrested near Fort Randolph near the entrance to the Panama Canal recently, was found guilty yesterday of espionage following a charge of photographing fortifications.

Sentence was not pronounced pending motion for a new trial. The other three Nazis will be tried in January. — Reuter.

VALENCIA HEAVILY BOMBED

Valencia, To-day.

Valencia was yesterday bombed by five Franco planes dropping more than 100 bombs.

Five were killed and seven dangerously wounded.

Forty bombs fell close to British ships unloading in the harbour, without, however doing any damage. A number of godowns and warehouses were hit and set afire. — Trans-Ocean.

Wu Nang, owner of a stall in the Western Market, lost \$320 from his jacket pocket, while it was hanging besides the stall.

JAPANESE ACTION AGAINST FRENCH CONCESSION

Hankow, To-day.

A serious situation is developing regarding the French Concession, with the Japanese stopping the entrance of food to this area, in addition to refusing to turn on the water supply.

It is alleged that the Japanese demand for the French to hand over anti-Japanese elements among Chinese refugees in the Concession, which had been refused, has caused increased retaliation by the Japanese.

The Concession, which is only half a mile square, at present is packed with Chinese who cannot come out on account of their inability to obtain the necessary Japanese passes.

Supplies are reported to be running low. Furthermore, while a limited water supply is being obtained from wells and pumping

from the river, this is insufficient to meet the needs of sanitation, and consequently the Japanese measures are creating most pressing problems.

It is understood that local negotiations proving unavailing, the French would forward the matter to Paris for Government action. — Reuter.

JAPANESE FORCES NOW ON THE DEFENSIVE

Chungking, To-day.

"Having failed in their southward push towards Changsha and in their westward drive on Hsiangyang, the Japanese forces are now on the defensive in Central China," declared the Chinese military spokesman reviewing the week's military developments.

In North China, the spokesman declared, the attention of the Japanese seemed still to be focussed on China's communications with Russia, though so far no action had been taken.

In South China, the main Japanese forces were massed on the West River front, where they were making every effort to push into Kwangsi, but "Chinese resistance is so strong that no progress has been made."

Discussing actual engagements the spokesman said that the front near Yochow, on the Hunan-Hupeh border, had been quiet since Dec. 9 when the Japanese attack along the Hsintsiang River, 45 kilometres south of Yuchow, had been repulsed. In north Kiangsi, the Chinese

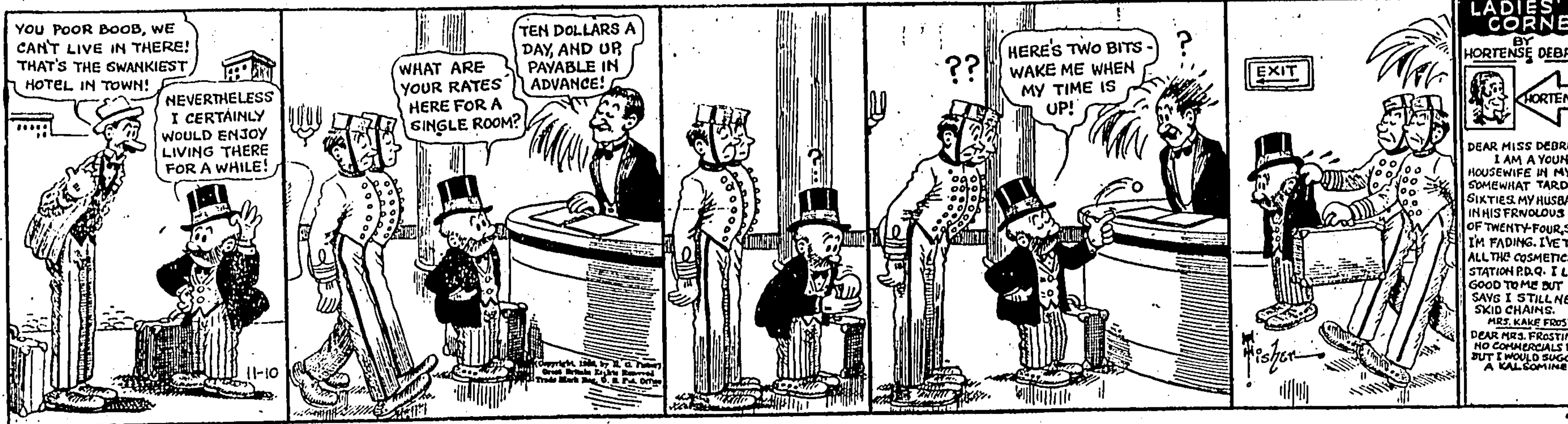
line along the Sui River north of Nanchang remained unchanged.

In South China, the Japanese forces around the West River had been further increased, particularly to the south-east of Shaoching.

SEVERE FIGHTING

Severe fighting was proceeding at Kaoming, 30 kilometres to the south-west of Shaoching, and also at Hoshan, 30 kilometres in the same direction.

Senhui, 10 kilometres south-west of Kongmoon, was also the scene of pitched fighting. — Reuter.



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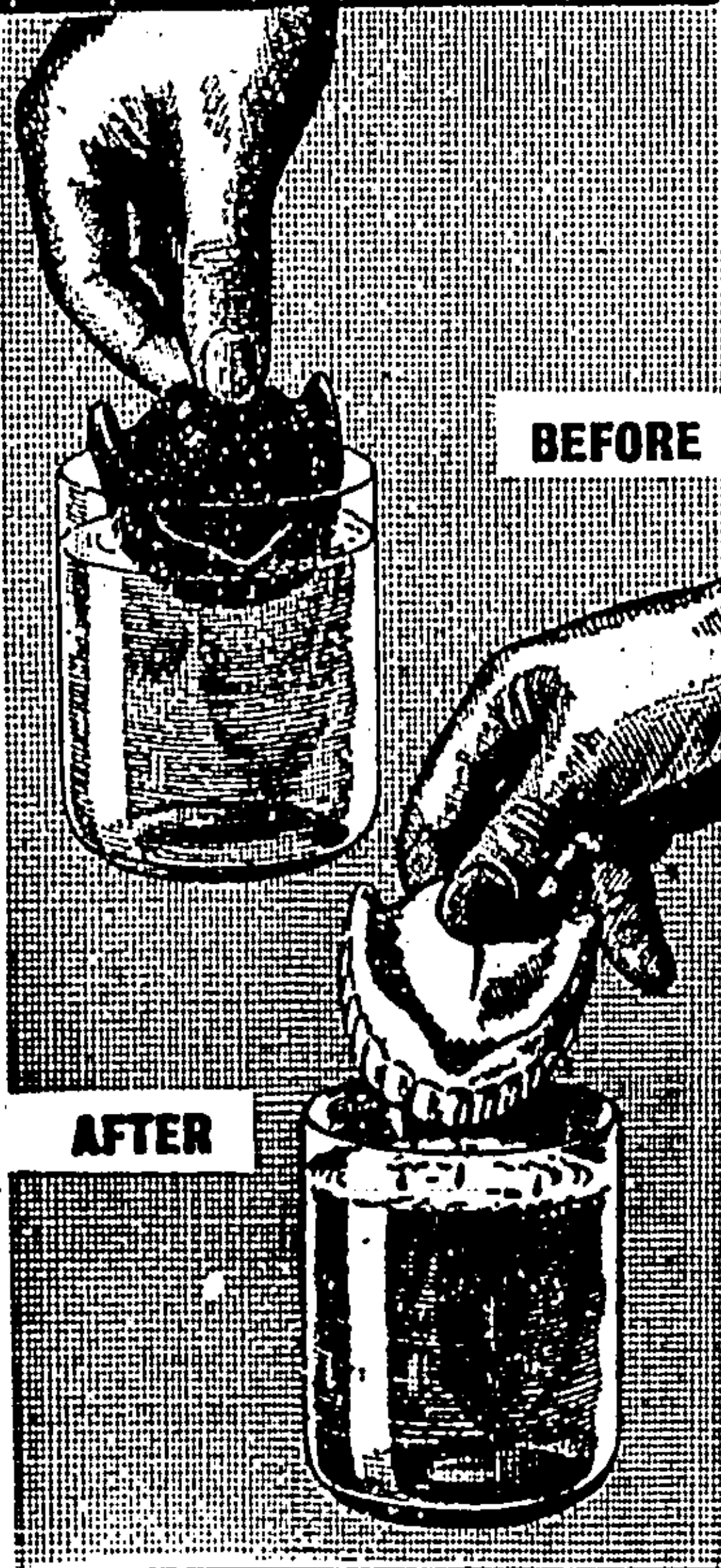
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THE LAW PROTECTS

"A true statement right now," said the Sergeant, "Will help you out of a bad mess, son. You'd better come clean, and give us the straight of it." The youth shifted awkwardly from one foot to the other. But his glance was steady, as he stared back into the sergeant's small eyes.

"There's nothing to tell," he said. "I didn't take the money and you know it. You can't pin it on me."

"Can't we though!" The Sergeant's voice had the suggestion of a sneer. "Can't we though," he repeated. "You were in the store when it happened. You were with the girl. You saw her take the money."

"I didn't!" cut in the youth. "I didn't see anything!"

"You're a liar!" The Sergeant took a threatening step forward, but the effect of the movement was lost, for the youth failed to flinch. "You saw her," he roared, "and you're holding out! Well, youngster, get this: Unless you come across and tell us what you saw you'll both go to jail! Both of you!"

The youth paled, but his eyes did not waver. "You're wrong, Sergeant. You're trying to scare me with threats, her steal. Well, it'll take more than your bullying to bring me around. A darn sight more. There's a law," he repeated, "and it's going to see me through."

The Sergeant pounded his desk in growing fury. "Law, you fool! Law! It's the law that will make you tell. And it'll go a darn sight worse with her than if you tell me now. When they get you on a witness stand, with one of those ugly lawyers pounding questions at yuh, an' you under oath, —you'll talk then, son. You'll talk plenty, and don't forget it."

"They'll never get me on a stand, Sergeant. Never! I won't have to testify. And without my story you can't harm a hair of the girl's head."

The officer laughed at this, bending over the desk in his mirth.

"Won't testify, eh? That's a fast one. Wait'll we summon you into court. You and the girl. How you gonna keep from being placed on the stand? How, I'd like to know?"

The law won't let 'em," said the youth calmly.

"Won't let 'em! Why, you idiot, it's the law that will make you. Both of you! There isn't any way out!"

By James Freeman

but it won't work. I know my rights. You can't prove that either of us had anything to do with stealing that money."

The officer gestured, almost as if he admired the boy's spirit in defying him. He leaned over the desk, knuckles white as his hands gripped its edge.

"You're smart, kid. But you can't buck the law. Not for very long. Now about that girl. She means a lot to you, doesn't she?"

"Yes."

"You wouldn't want to see her do a stretch?"

"No."

"You — she — needed the money didn't you? Hungry?"

"Yes."

The Sergeant came around the desk and laid his hand paternally on the boy's shoulder.

"Listen, kid, tell me what you know. You'll be doing the girl a favour. After we get the facts we'll go light. It's up to us to find out who took the money. If you testify against the girl, we'll let her off easy, see? Everything will be Jake."

The boy shook off the paternal hand. "You can't fool me with that bunk!" he cried. "I know your game. My testimony is all that stands between Sa — the girl — and freedom. I can send her up or let her go free. There's a law in this country, Sergeant, and you're one of its poor representatives. I tell you you haven't got a thing on me — or the girl either. You'll have to let us both go."

"Oh, yeah?" snarled the Sergeant. "Yeah? Well, we'll see about that, youngster. There's ways of making a guy like you talk. Plenty of 'em."

"You're sore because the papers criticized your particular department. You want to pin this theft on that poor little girl, so's to make a showing, so's to square yourself with the press. You don't care a hang whether she's guilty or not. You just want to send her up." He laughed ironically. "Want me to testify I saw

BRITISH LOAN TO CZECHS

London, To-day. Discussions will begin at the Treasury between the Czech financial mission and British Treasury officials regarding the proposed loan of £30,000,000 to Czechoslovakia.

Later, British officials will consult with French Government financial experts on the question, and a scheme for placing the loan to best advantage in Czechoslovakia will be prepared. — Reuter.

London, To-day. Sixty-seven more recruits were enlisted in the Regular Army last week than during the corresponding week last year, the figures being 578 against 511. — British Wireless.

FRENCH FOREIGN POLICY

Far East Problem Not French But International

No Question Of France Giving Up Territory

Paris, To-day.

The Foreign Minister, M. Georges Bonnet, made an important statement on many aspects of foreign affairs at a meeting of the foreign affairs commission yesterday.

It is stated that M. Bonnet expressed solid satisfaction with Mr. Chamberlain's speech at the London dinner.

As to the Italian territorial claims, it is asserted that M. Bonnet declared that Herr von Ribbentrop (the Nazi Foreign Minister) on his recent Paris visit limited himself to the statement that Germany intended to remain loyal to the Berlin-Rome Axis but had no direct interest in the Mediterranean.

M. Bonnet declared he had not been acquainted with any of the Italian claims, but if any were made here would be no question of France giving up an inch of territory.

EXAGGERATIONS?

Questioned about Germany's intentions in Eastern Europe, particularly the Ukraine, M. Bonnet replied that some of the statements made thereon appeared exaggerated.

Not everything said on the subject should be taken literally.

Dealing with the Sino-Japanese hostilities, M. Bonnet is reported to have made no effort to conceal his opinion that the interests and position of European countries in China were endangered.

INTERNATIONAL PROBLEM

He emphasised, however, that it was not specifically a French but an international problem.

M. Bonnet revealed that the Nazi Foreign Minister had assured him that only 3,000 to 3,500 German volunteers remained in Spain on Dec. 6, and that all were stationed behind the lines.—Reuter.

RESOLUTION ON COLONIAL ISSUE

Capetown, To-day.

The Unofficial Members yesterday passed a resolution in the Legislative Council of Northern Rhodesia opposing return to Nazi Germany of the African mandated territories.

The resolution asks the Governor to inform the Secretary for Colonies that in the members' opinion, return of colonies would constitute a serious menace to the Empire.—Reuter.

MEMEL ELECTION FIGURES

Memel, To-day.

Election results are available from 77 out of 228 districts and show an average of 88.5% in favour of the German list.

In the city of Memel, the Germans reached 81.5%.—Trans-Ocean.

JAPANESE RENEWING OPERATIONS IN KONGMOON AREA AND SAMSHUI

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Macao, To-day.

Vernacular messages late last night state that the Japanese at Kaukong are on the move again and that the vanguard is striking towards Kongmoon.

The Japanese troops at Kaukong, it is said, have been considerably strengthened from Canton, and it is believed that a battle for Kongmoon will soon be fought in the area between Kongmoon and Kaukong.

Meanwhile, Japanese aircraft are active over the region between Kongmoon, Kaukong and Samshui, and many towns and villages have been practically destroyed during the last few days.

Yesterday afternoon, the Chinese forces opposite Samshui on the

southern side of the West River were heavily bombed in relays. Considerable damage was caused to the Chinese defences, but casualties were light.

COMMUNICATIONS WRECKED

The Chinese, it is reliably learned, have themselves wrecked all communication lines between Kwangsi and Kwangchowwan. Supplies cannot now be transported into the interior via Kwangchowwan.

It is believed that the Japanese will attempt to effect a landing near Kwangchowwan and at Pakhoi.

An unconfirmed report says that the Chinese authorities have blocked the harbour at Pakhoi.—Our Own Correspondent.

BRITONS IN FRANCO GAOLS

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, stated in the Commons that according to latest figures received, which were issued on October 29, the number of United Kingdom nationals held as prisoners of war by General Franco's administration was 86, and of Canadian nationals 34.

Mr. Butler later added that the British Agent at Burgos reported he had taken further steps to expedite conclusion of an exchange arrangement, and that he hoped that release might shortly be expected.—British Wireless.

FIVE-YEAR PLAN FOR DEFENCE

Cairo, To-day.

The Egyptian Defence Council has approved a five-year plan for reorganisation of the Army in four divisions, each of 15,000 to 20,000 men.

Approximate cost will be £10,000,000.—Reuter.

SUICIDE TOWER TO BE CLOSED

Zagreb, To-day.

Public access to the more southerly situated Gothic towers of Saint Stephens' Cathedral has been prohibited by the Cathedral Chapter owing to the increasing predilection for the towers manifested by persons anxious to commit suicide.

During the past few weeks, seven persons of either sex—mostly unhappy lovers—have thrown themselves from the upper gallery.—Trans-Ocean.

EVASIVE REPLY BY MR. CHAMBERLAIN

London, To-day.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain was again approached on the Franco-Italian dispute yesterday and again gave an evasive reply when asked about Britain's attitude in the event of war between the two Mediterranean powers.

The Prime Minister was first asked to give an assurance that Britain would regard an attack by Italy on any French possessions as an unfriendly act.

Mr. Chamberlain replied that the undertaking to respect the status quo in the Mediterranean embodied in the Anglo-Italian Agreement certainly applied to Tunis, and any action contrary to that agreement "would be a matter of great concern to the Government."

The Government, however, "could not contemplate the possibility" of such an attack as suggested.—Reuter.

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MR. EDEN'S CAMPAIGN

The remarkable series of speeches Mr. Eden has been making lately has caused much political speculation. Some rather fantastic theories have been built up, and to read some accounts one might suppose that Mr. Eden is engaged in an ambitious scheme to overthrow Mr. Chamberlain and get himself accepted as the leader of an alternative Coalition of the Left-Centre and Left. There is no reason to imagine anything so heroic, and a study of the speeches themselves, to say nothing of a knowledge of the political forces out of which such a combination would have to be formed, should quickly dispose of it. We are a long way from any such state of affairs—if we ever reach it. But all the same Mr. Eden's campaign (for it is hardly less) is extremely significant. It is not cast in any party mould, and Mr. Eden has no wish to change his party. It springs from the feeling that we have reached a point when the policy of the Government is an inadequate expression of the national will and has lost the power to evoke a national response. Yet, as Mr. Eden sees it, only a national awakening can preserve our liberties, and he offers the broad heads, as it were, of a programme which would bring out the best in us and round which the country could rally. The effect of his recent speech in the House showed how sound is his instinct that this line of appeal finds a welcome in all three parties.

The argument is cast in general terms, and there is much to be said for keeping it in such. Too much elaboration, especially on the side of domestic problems, would render it at this stage less effective. Mr. Eden can perform the greatest service by continually bringing out, as no one else can do better, the challenge which the totalitarian Powers represent to our existence as a democratic State and the necessity of an enormous effort to adapt the democratic machine to meet it. For, as he said, unless such an effort is made there is no future for the British people and the things they stand for in this world except a progressive weakening of their authority and a slow sliding down the slope. The three conditions of our recovery are a foreign policy based on international law and justice, defences strong enough to meet the dangers that threaten

issued on a war-time basis, and a vigorous programme of social amelioration directed first and foremost to the ending of unemployment and the raising of the health and living conditions of the people. These are themes that are capable of endless variation in detail, but essentially they are things on which most of us can meet. If Mr. Eden keeps pegging away he can, perhaps, give fresh heart to those whose belief in the utility of politics has been so sadly shaken in the last two months. The ultimate effects no one can foresee, but if, as seems so disastrously probable, Mr. Chamberlain's dream of "appeasement" by his present methods is cruelly dissolved, the country will not be without an alternative working faith which transcends ineffectual party groupings.

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Lord Winterton And Russia

Lord Winterton a few weeks ago stated without any qualification or doubt that Russia had made no definite offer to give military assistance to Czechoslovakia. He repeated this statement in face of official Russian denials. The question was raised in Parliament by Mr. Henderson, who thought that as a grave reflection on Russia had been made the matter should be cleared up. The Prime Minister answered the question himself. He outlined the statement made in protest by the Russian Ambassador to the Foreign Office, and said that Lord Winterton had had an interview with the Ambassador in which he "said frankly he thought it had been unfortunate that he had upon a public platform commented on the action of the Soviet Government." After that, said Mr. Chamberlain, the Foreign Secretary had further friendly conversations with the Russian Ambassador and understood from him that he considered the incident closed. Lord Winterton refused Mr. Dalton's invitation to make a statement on his own account. So there has been no open withdrawal of his criticism.

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Moral Rearmament

It is natural that the Workers' Educational Association should look with an anxious eye upon the Government's attitude to social questions now that armaments and foreign policy predominate. That anxiety was shown in the annual conference in Blackpool. Mr. Harold Clay urged that in the respite which followed Munich a special duty devolved upon those who desired to live in a world where human values and human personality were of some account. The W.E.A. could assist, he suggested, in the task of "moral rearmament," on which alone peace could be based. He urged that the Education Act of 1936 should be made to raise the school age in reality as well as in word and that the exemption clauses should be eliminated. The conference expressed in the form of a resolution its fear of a restriction of the social services, and demanded such a reform of the educational system as would provide equal opportunity for social and intellectual development so that all might be able to share in the privileges and responsibilities of citizenship.

ITALY'S CANAL CLAIMS

No Good Reason Beyond "General Appeasement"

Strong Comment In Manchester Guardian

London, To-day.

There is a strong case that the Suez Canal, like other international waterways, should be put under proper international control, states the "Manchester Guardian" in a leader.

The journal adds that it is to be hoped that in better days that this will be done, but there seems no good reason beyond general appeasement to grant Italy (or for that matter, Nazi Germany or Japan) a share in the present management.

None of these Powers believes in international control or cares for the interests of other countries, and if Britain and France have little right to monopoly control, Italy has less.

This is another case where to give something for nothing would be mere folly.

The "Guardian" declares that Italy has a rather stronger case for demanding revision of the present dues, which are still high.

IF IT IS TRUE

"If it is true, as the 'Voelkischer Beobachter' says, that 30 per cent. of the company's receipts cover its net costs, the profit seems unnecessarily large.

"The company should consider itself more of a public service than a private concern." — Reuter.

ALLEGED NAZI ACTIVITIES IN NEAR EAST

London, To-day.

The Under-Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Mr. R. A. Butler, declared in the House of Commons yesterday that he was not in a position to disclose information received by the Government.

Mr. Butler had been asked for information concerning alleged Nazi activities in Palestine relating to the passage of German moneys through Damascus and the printing of anti-Semitic literature in Arabic.

Mr. Butler added that the Government's information did not bear out all accounts appearing in the press elsewhere. — Reuter.

LITHUANIA AND MEMEL

Kaunas, To-day.

It is understood in authoritative quarters that the Lithuanian Government would be prepared to accept German interpretation of the Memel Statute in order to stabilise the situation, but would never agree to detachment of the Memel territory from Lithuania. — Reuter.

NEW G.O.C. MALAYA

London, To-day.

Major-General L. V. Bond, commandant of the School of Engineering, has been appointed G.O.C., Malaya, in succession to Major-General Dobbie, whose tenure expires in August, 1939. — Reuter.

WASHINGTON AND CHAMBERLAIN

Washington, To-day.

Well-informed opinion interprets Mr. Chamberlain's speech as evidence that he is no way deterred by criticism from his determination to press forward with appeasement.

His frank analysis of the Opposition case and its detailed rebuttal is noted. — Reuter.

Anti-Aircraft Firing Practice will be carried out from Fort Davis and Centurion Fort, Stonecutters Island between the hours of 6.30 p.m. and 12 midnight to-day.

PLENARY POWER FOR CZECH GOVERNMENT

Prague, To-day.

The Czech Parliament, by 140 votes to 16, accorded the Government plenary powers for two years.

The Government is thus given a free hand to proceed with plans for social and economic reconstruction.

When the session ends this week, Parliament is not likely to meet again until certain parties, including the Communists, are completely dissolved.

Herr Kundt, leader of the Germans remaining in Czechoslovakia, has promised support to the Government "so long as the rights of the minority, whose leader is Adolf Hitler, are respected." — Reuter.

Shanghai, To-day.

The local offices of the American President Lines (the former Dollar and American Mail Lines) announced yesterday that their vessels will resume calling at Shanghai at the beginning and end of January. — Reuter.

CAROL AND NAZI ATTACKS

BUCHAREST, TO-DAY.
KING CAROL YESTERDAY PRESIDED AT A MEETING OF THE CROWN COUNCIL.

It is reported that the Council discussed Germany's anti-Rumanian campaign and the alleged Nazi support of the Iron Guard, the dissolved Rumanian Fascist organisation. — Reuter.



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British Palestine Policy

Unable To Authorise Increased Immigration

No Change In Attitude Towards Grand Mufti

London, To-day.

The Government is unable to agree to immediate additional immigration to Palestine of 10,000 young Jews, stated the Dominions and Colonial Secretary, Mr. Malcolm Macdonald, in the House of Commons yesterday.

Mr. Macdonald added that strong representations had been made from Arab quarters that immigration be completely stopped pending outcome of the Palestine Conference in London.

The Government felt that to make any alteration in the existing rate of immigration now, would prejudice one of the main subjects of discussion in London.

Continuing, Mr. Macdonald said he understood it was desirable for Jewish children to leave Germany.

In the meantime they could be received in Britain if refugee organisations guaranteed their maintenance.

MANY BEING ADMITTED

Mr. Macdonald declared that a considerable number of young German refugees at present were being admitted to Palestine under the existing arrangements.

He added that all arrangements for the Palestine Conference had been made, but he was unable to state on what date the conference would begin until he knew when the Palestinian delegation was appointed and could arrive.

MUFTI NON PERSONA GRATA

Asked later if he would reconsider the desirability of inviting the Mufti of Jerusalem, in view of the fact that the Mufti is regarded by the majority of Muslims in Palestine as their leader and prophet, Mr. Macdonald replied "No."—Reuter.

LORDS' DEBATE

London, To-day.

The problem of Jewish refugees from Germany was debated in the Lords, and the Archbishop of Canterbury, speaking on behalf of voluntary organisations, emphasized the importance and urgency of finding a permanent abode for refugees whom we were prepared to receive, and expressed the hope that something might be done to persuade the German Government to allow refugees to bring away with them some of their property to support them after they had left Germany.

Viscount Samuel pointed out that the sum of £100,000 per week being spent by voluntary organisations included money being spent on refugees in Germany and Vienna.

The Earl of Plymouth, replying for the Government, said the Government welcomed the debate as it enabled them to explain their policy.

SCHACHT VISIT

With regard to the visit of Dr. Schacht (the Reichsbank President), Lord Plymouth said he was not in a position to give any information on the subjects to be discussed.

The results of the Evian Conference had not been negligible.

For the present, Lord Plymouth ended, private funds must bear the cost of activities in connection with refugees, and the next step must

be examination of settlement schemes by Jewish bodies for which Government would be prepared to give every facility.

When the cost of such schemes could be estimated, the question of a loan would become a practical proposition.—British Wireless.

FULLY CONSCIOUS

London, To-day.

Lord Plymouth, one of the Under-Secretaries for Foreign Affairs, replying in the Lords debate on refugees, assured the House that the Government was fully conscious of the urgency of the problem, and were desirous of dealing with it as speedily as possible.

It was a worldwide problem and must be solved by international co-operation.

Progress depended largely on what was done by the country of origin.

Many refugees, including nurses and servants, had been admitted into Britain without affecting the British labour market.

The Government was prepared to admit as many refugee children as homes were found for. Already 2,000 children had been admitted this way. The Government expected that many thousands of children would be finally admitted into Britain.

Referring to British Guiana, Lord Plymouth said that much of the land was forest land but a large area was suitable for refugees.—Reuter.

COMMONS STATEMENT

London, To-day.

Mr. R. A. Butler stated in the House that regarding facilities for emigration of Jews from Germany, His Majesty's Government had from time to time been in communication with the German Government about initiation of discussions between the German authorities and the director of the inter-governmental committee concerning the question, but that no definite reply had yet been received.—British Wireless.

ITALIAN AIR LINE TO S. AMERICA

Rome, To-day.

The President of the Italian Airways Company, Ala Littoria, has informed Mussolini that the company will shortly open a regular air service between Italy and South-America.—Trans-Ocean.

Mrs. S. Hamilton, residing at the Marble Hall Hotel, has reported the theft from her room of jewellery to the value of \$25, some time yesterday.

"BRIGHT" PLAN FOR ASSISTING JEWISH FUGITIVES

London, To-day.

Speculation is rife regarding the object of the visit of the Reichsbank President, Dr. Schacht, who arrived yesterday, but it is generally understood that the visit is mainly concerned with negotiations for financing the emigration of Jews from Germany.

It is believed that Dr. Schacht will propose an exchange of credit of about one milliard reichsmarks to be provided by leading Jewish banks in England and the Unit to be provided by leading Jewish emigrants from the Reich, since the latter are not in a position to transfer their money abroad.

The credit would be repaid out of foreign exchange received for supplementary German exports, the absorption of which would have to be guaranteed by the foreign Jewish lenders.

The fact that the President of the Bank of International Settlements in Basel, Dr. Beyen, arrived at the same time as Dr. Schacht, is considered as evidence that the bank in question is prepared to participate in organising this scheme.

It is also believed in city circles that another object of Dr. Schacht's visit is to discuss Anglo-German

ITALIAN ARMS EXPENDITURE

Rome, To-day.

An increase in armament expenditure by 2.5 milliard Lire is provided in the budget of 1939/40 which was approved yesterday.

A total of ten milliard lire will be finally appropriated for this purpose.

The "Tribuna" writes that Italy intends to be armed in readiness for all eventualities, while the "Lavoro Fascista" stresses that the Fascist regime has raised Italy's military might to an hitherto unattained level.

"Giornale d'Italia" says that it was clearly Italy's duty to increase her armaments expenditure in view of the similar efforts made in other countries.—Trans-Ocean.

RAID ON SHEUNG LIU TIN

A raid by an armed gang on Sheung Liu Tin Village, has been reported to the Police. The front door of one house was broken down, and three men, two armed with daggers, entered and ransacked the place.

The adjoining house was also visited and robbed.

The men spoke Hak-ka dialect.

economic relations in light of the announced substantial increase of guarantees available to British exporters under the export credits plan.—Trans-Ocean.

German Criticism Of Chamberlain Speech

Berlin, To-day.

Mr. Chamberlain criticised those who sponsored a solution of pending problems by war, writes the "Voelkischer Beobachter," commenting on the British Prime Minister's much-discussed speech at the Foreign Press Association dinner in London.

The paper adds that his were clear and frank words addressed to warmongers in the world, "but as strongly as we agree with this part of the speech, we must protest equally strongly against that part in which he expressed regret at the tone of the German press."

In regard to Mr. Chamberlain's statement that no form of government remains the same, the newspaper states that in political development there will be one unchanging factor — authoritarian Nazi Germany.

The "Berliner Boersen Zeitung" says that Mr. Chamberlain's allusion to the German press attacks on Lord Baldwin is particularly incomprehensible, as the German press merely rejected the highly superfluous and miserable attempts by Lord Baldwin to interfere with German affairs.

The newspaper declares that the section of the speech in which Mr. Chamberlain referred to the close Anglo-French relations is worthy of special emphasis.

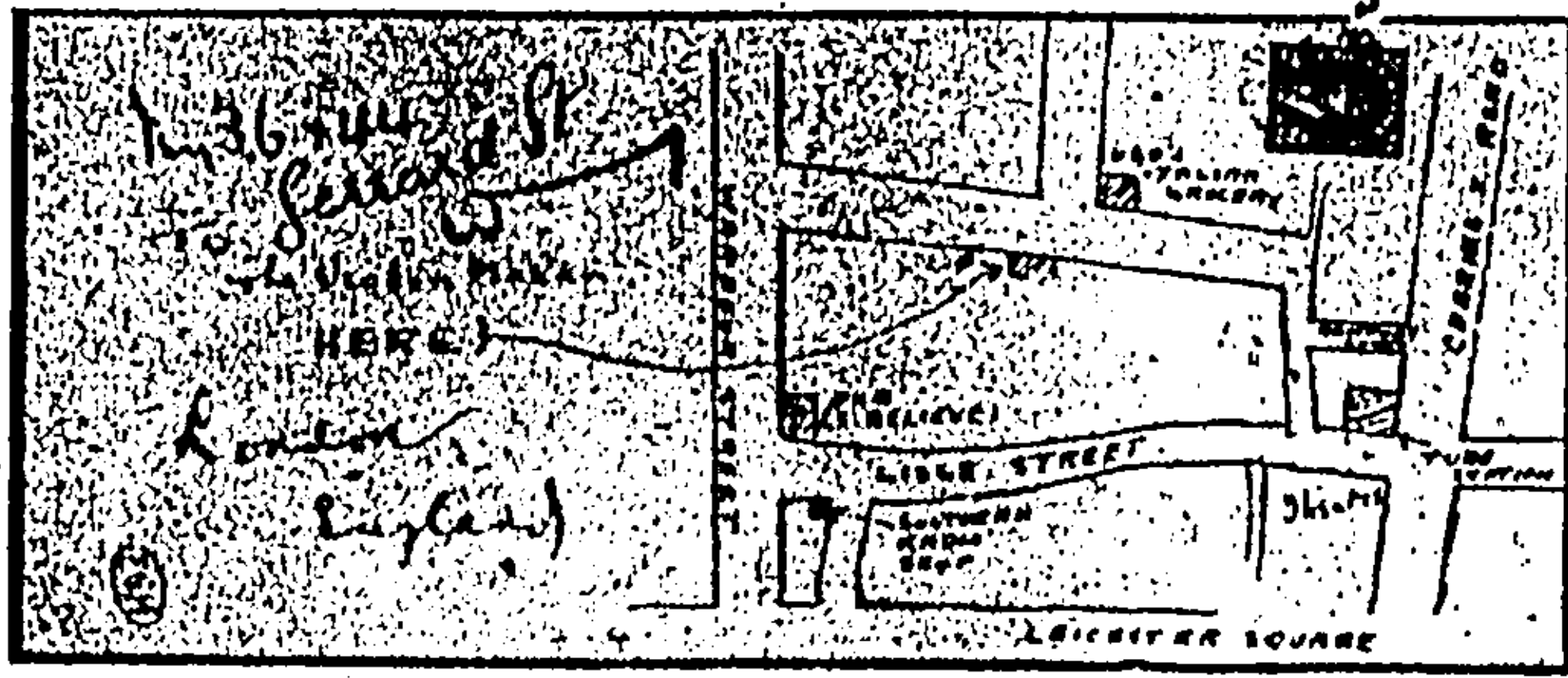
A THOUSAND YEARS

The "Lokalanzeiger" declares that Mr. Chamberlain and Britain may rest assured that the Third Reich will last a thousand years.

Press attacks on British statesmen continued yesterday morning.

Official quarters hitherto have abstained from commenting on the absence of the Germans from the London banquet.—Reuter.

News Snack Bar



A violinist came to London from Canada. He visited a musical instrument dealer's in Gerrard-street, W.I. Back in Canada, he wanted a violin bow . . . and he'd forgotten the name of the shop, forgotten even the name of the street it was in. But he remembered the district. So he wrote a letter and instead of putting a name and address on the envelope he drew the map you see in the picture above. The letter was delivered. Now the violinist has his bow . . .

BETTER AND FASTER BOMBERS

London, To-day. The cruising radius of the new Bristol Blenheim bombers now being built for the Royal Air Force will, the "Daily Express" reports, greatly exceed the cruising radius of the type of Bristol Blenheim bombers now in service.

The cruising radius of the new planes will be 3,000 kilometres while the planes now in service have a cruising radius of between 1,400 and 2,000 kilometres. The new bombers will have a maximum speed of roughly 300 miles per hour. —Trans-Ocean.

IL DUCE TO PAY VISIT TO SARDINIA

Mussolini will visit the island of Sardinia, the neighbour of Corsica, at the weekend and it is assumed that he will utilize the opportunity to make a pronouncement on the tension between Italy and France.

Immediate occasion for the visit is the dedication of new coalmines near Carbonia at which event the entire Italian Autarchy Commission will be present.

It is believed that in discussing the economic situation the Duce will deviate to foreign affairs.

SWEETNESS RECORD

Mr. Alfred James Harris, of Birdham, near Chichester, a well-known bee-keeper, has taken 122lb. of extracted honey from a single hive. He claims it as a record.

VISCOUNT AS DIRECTOR

Viscount Ridley, of Blagdon, Seaton Burn, Northumberland, is among the directors of Texmill Industrial Corporation, Ltd., which, states Jordan's Register, has been registered with a nominal capital of £115,000. Company has been formed to carry on business of silk, cotton and textile manufacturers, spinners and weavers.

THEY COME TO SEE

During September 23,632 foreign tourists and 8,696 business visitors landed in the United Kingdom. By far the largest number of tourists, 6,130, were from America. But France led with business visitors, numbering 1,215.

BACKFIRE STARTS FIRE

The back-firing of a motor-cycle in a garage at Wootton Bassett, Swindon, started a fire which destroyed three cars, a lorry, three motor-cycles, four lock-up garages and \$500 worth of timber. Total damage, £2,000.

SEEN LATER — WITH FAMILY

Bob Moggridge, senior ticket examiner of the G.W.R., retires this week. For fifteen years he has been travelling in the Honeymoon Express (Paddington to the West of England), which is reputed to carry more newlyweds than any other British train.

"Nine times out of ten they give themselves away, usually due to confetti," he says.

Mr. Moggridge has a remarkable memory for faces. Many times he has seen his honeymooners travelling in later years . . . with the family.

JOHN BURNS IS 80

Mr. John Burns, of Clapham Common, London, the first working man to reach Cabinet rank, is eighty years of age. He says his motto, "Early to bed, early to rise," is what has kept him well enough to enjoy his eightieth birthday.

He resigned, suddenly, from the Asquith Cabinet in August, 1914—and has never explained why.

EGYPT AND SUEZ CANAL AGITATION

Cairo, To-day. It is understood that Egypt officially reserves the right to be consulted concerning totalitarian demands regarding the future of the Suez Canal.—Reuter.

BAR WHERE ALL DRINKS COST ONE PRICE — SIXPENCE!

The "Tanner Bar," where the price of every drink is 6d., has caught on in Edinburgh.

It began two years ago, when the everything-at-one-price principle was applied to drinks.

The "tanner bar" (as it is called) is in a little street in the heart of the city. Real Jamaica rum, golden sherry, cocktails, gin, whisky, or wine are all on the tariff, and there is no catch in it for drinks are of standard quality.

The landlord has simply adopted the idea of proportionate selling, whatever drinks are ordered in six-penny-worths.

In an ordinary bar if a customer asked for a brandy he would be given a quarter of a gill. At the "tanner bar," however he gets a fifth of a gill. So it is with all drinks.

The bar has overcome the difficulty in the case of proprietary beers by doing their own bottling. Now other "tanner bars" are to be opened.

5,851,000 JOIN TRADE UNIONS

Total membership of trade unions in Great Britain and North Ireland at the end of 1937 was 5,851,000, as compared with 5,305,000 at the end of 1936.

This increase of 546,000 was made public in the "Ministry of Labour Gazette."

This is the largest increase recorded in any year since 1919, and, following on the progressive increases which occurred in the three previous years, restores the membership total to a figure greater than any previously recorded.

The number of men members at the end of 1937 was 4,956,000, an increase of 452,000, or 10 per cent. as compared with the previous year; and the number of girl and women members was 895,000, an increase of 94,000, or 11.7 per cent.

At the end of last year there were 1,033 unions, compared with 1,041 at the end of 1936, the reduction being mainly due to amalgamations.

PIT PENSION PLAN

REJECTED

But bad unions news from South Wales. There the Miners' Federation delegate conference decided by an overwhelming majority at Cardiff to reject the proposed pension schemes.

The delegates disagreed with the system of annuities proposed by the coal owners claiming it would be far better if the scheme was directly administered by the federation and the coal owners jointly.

EMPIRE TOWER IS DOOMED

Glasgow Corporation Parks Committee discussed the future of the Empire Exhibition and agreed that none of the buildings should be retained, except the Corporation Pavilion and the Palace of Arts. If the Committee's decision is accepted by the Corporation, the Tower of Empire will be demolished, and Bellahouston will again become a public park.

THE HUMAN TOUCH

Said a defendant at Highgate Police Court, "I saw the constable dip his hand into his pocket and fetch out a pencil, a notebook . . . and half a sandwich."

BARONET-RECTOR DIES

The Rev. Sir Francis Arthur Stanley Ffolkes, rector of Hillington, Norfolk, who has died, aged seventy-four, had been honorary chaplain to Queen Victoria and King Edward VII, and chaplain-in-ordinary to King George V and the present King.

He succeeded his brother to the baronetcy (which was created in 1774) in 1930. His only son, and heir, Mr. Edward John Patrick Boschetti Ffolkes, who is thirty-nine, is a godson of King Edward VII.

"OLE BILL" AT FUNERAL

"Ole Bill," famous bus used by troops in France in the Great War, was used at the funeral at Amersham of Mr. James Simmonds, bus driver, aged fifty-one, who has been with the local company since 1923. Nearly 100 uniformed busmen took part in the procession.

SALVATION CHIEF

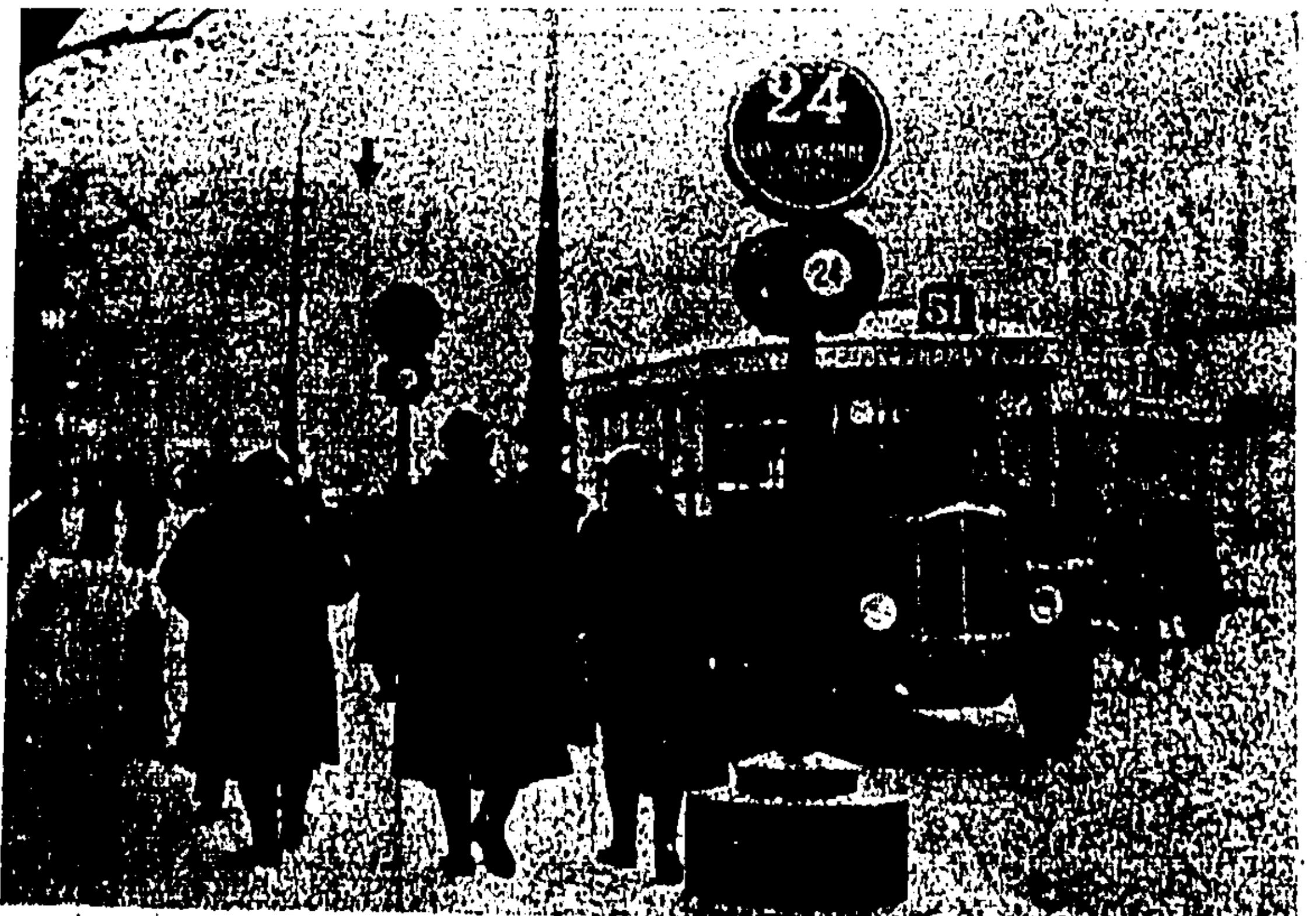
50 YEARS WED

Commissioner David Lamb and Mrs. Lamb, who celebrate their Golden Wedding were married under the Salvation Army flag at Hamilton, Scotland, in the days when there was some doubt about the validity of "Army" marriages. Mr. Lamb invoked the aid of the Registrar General of Scotland.

CRIME ON THE DOLE

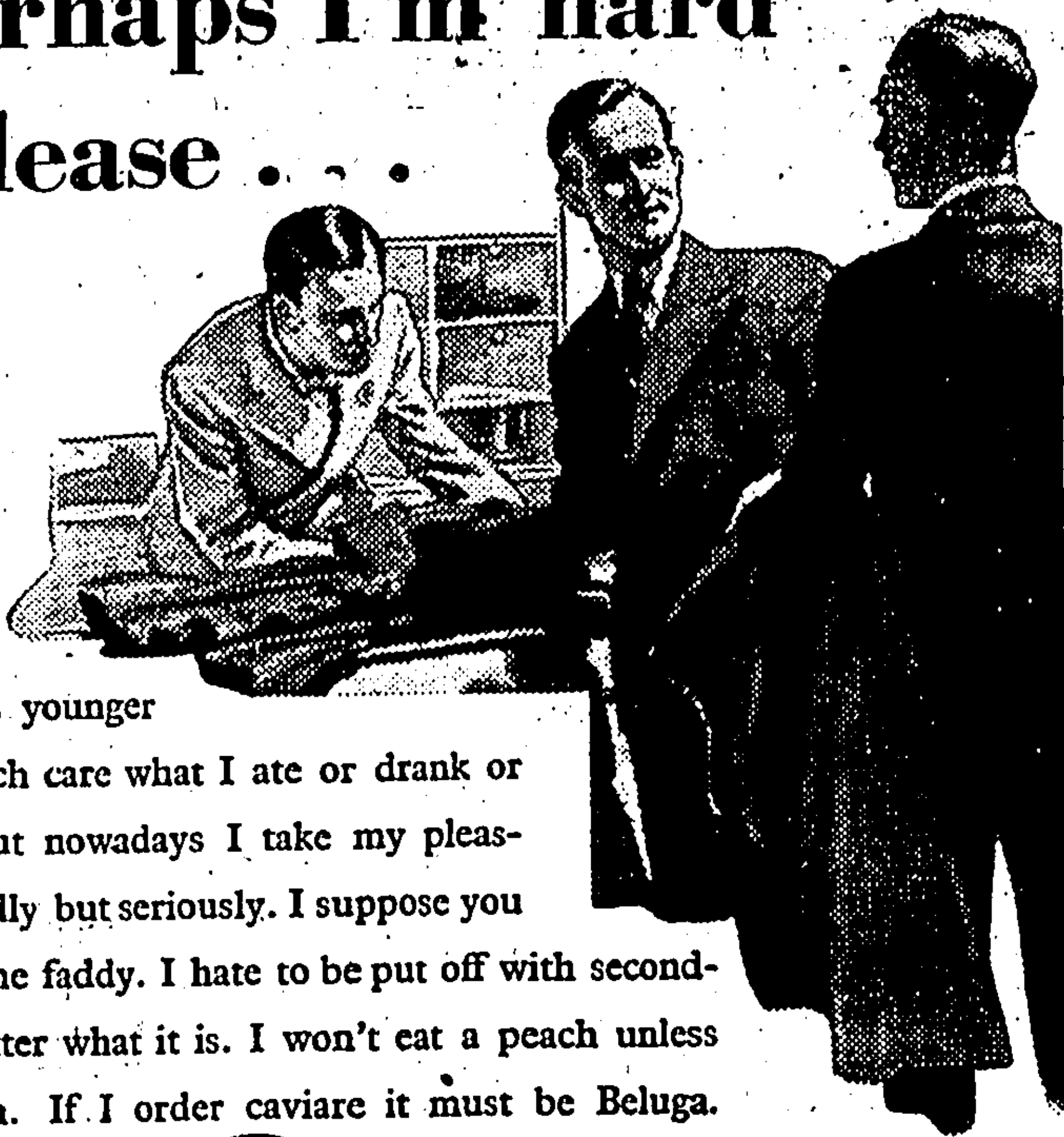
"The Labour Exchange down here seems to be a sort of thieves' kitchen," declared Mr. John Harris, Thames magistrate, when told that some youths who appeared on two charges of stealing at Stepney had met at the Labour Exchange before committing the offences.

There was laughter in the public gallery at the remark, and Mr. Harris said: "It's nothing to laugh at. I don't know if you women who are laughing are these boys' mothers."



France's 24 hours general strike—called in protest against the Government's decree laws revising the 40-hour week and imposing new taxes, was a failure. Photo shows mobile guards guarding a bus stop in the Gare de Lyon, Paris. (By Air Mail)

"Perhaps I'm hard
to please . . .



When I was younger

I didn't much care what I ate or drank or smoked. But nowadays I take my pleasures, not sadly but seriously. I suppose you would call me faddy. I hate to be put off with second-best, no matter what it is. I won't eat a peach unless it is English. If I order caviare it must be Beluga.



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RICHEST WIFE SPENDS HER DREAMS

Honolulu, Hawaii, December 1.

Doris Duke Cromwell, who is reputed to be the world's richest woman, having inherited an American tobacco fortune, will occupy on January 1 the Honolulu estate on which she is estimated to have spent about \$400,000.

Now nearing completion, the estate, which neither in its grounds nor buildings is large, covering about four acres, will include costly materials, furnishings, and decorations gathered by Mrs. Cromwell and her husband, James H. R. Cromwell, from many parts of the world.

In it they have tried to combine several styles of architecture—with the predominant note Persian—that would harmonise with the colourful, peaceful Hawaiian landscape. In this they and their architects feel they have succeeded.

The house has no guest-rooms. Neither is any part of it air-conditioned, except for the wine-cellar, one kitchen storeroom, and a room for a master phonograph, which will be connected with loud-speakers in several parts of the building. Records will be stored here too.

TRAVEL BY AIR

The estate is situated about five miles from the city's business section—at the lower slope to the east of Diamond Head, the extinct volcanic crater which is a familiar landmark to Pacific travellers arriving and departing from Honolulu. It lies at the water's edge, the grounds being about 40ft. above sea level, with a volcanic stone retaining wall along the shore.

In front of the estate, for about half a mile into the ocean, is a coral reef. Travellers aboard passing liners will see it from beyond this reef, which lies just inside the ship channel. Its low, rambling architecture nestles against the hill behind it, which rises about 50ft. higher; its white walls sharpen the blue and green of the ocean, landscape and sky; and its rich brown retaining wall is in restful harmony with the sea.

Mr. and Mrs. Cromwell do their travelling between the islands and their New York home entirely by air, and expect to travel more frequently now that the Hawaiian estate is nearly completed.

The Pan-American Airways "clippers" bring Honolulu within 17 to 20 hours of San Francisco, which is 18 hours from New York.

Mrs. Cromwell is a tall, rather handsome blonde, with eyes almost almond-shaped. She is 25, the daughter of the late James B. Duke,

who possessed a fortune built from utilities and tobacco. He left an estate estimated at his death at \$20,000,000, his daughter inheriting a large part of it.

Mr. Cromwell is 41, and a stepson of E. T. Stotesbury, senior partner of J. P. Morgan and Co., of New York, and head of the great Drexel banking house in Philadelphia.

Mr. Cromwell, besides engaging in advertising, writes assiduously, one of his best-known books having been "In Defence of Capitalism." They were married in New York on February 13, 1935.

Entrance to the new home will be through an entresalle some 18ft. by 35ft. that looks down through a Moroccan screen into the huge patio, which is the centre of the house proper.

The patio is 30ft. by 30ft. square; its walls are lined with tree fern bark from which grow sprays of orchids; its covered walk on three sides is paved with Chinese granite blocks, relics of the days when sailing ships brought in the blocks as ballast and dumped them for the richer stores of commerce.

MOROCCAN CEILING

In the centre section to one side of the entresalle is the suite of Miss Christine Cromwell, a daughter of Mr. Cromwell by his former marriage to Delphine Dodge, a member of the auto manufacturing family, whose name was recently linked with that of Jack Doye, the British boxer.

Between the patio and the sea wall, and fronting on the terrace to the west is the living-room, which in quiet richness may excel the rest of the house. Its floor is of oak, cut in transverse squares, and came from a French chateau. The ceiling is of carved and decorated woodwork from Morocco.

An interesting mechanical feature of the living-room is its door. This, a single sheet of glass 20ft. wide and 12ft. high, with bronze frame, is recessed into the floor.

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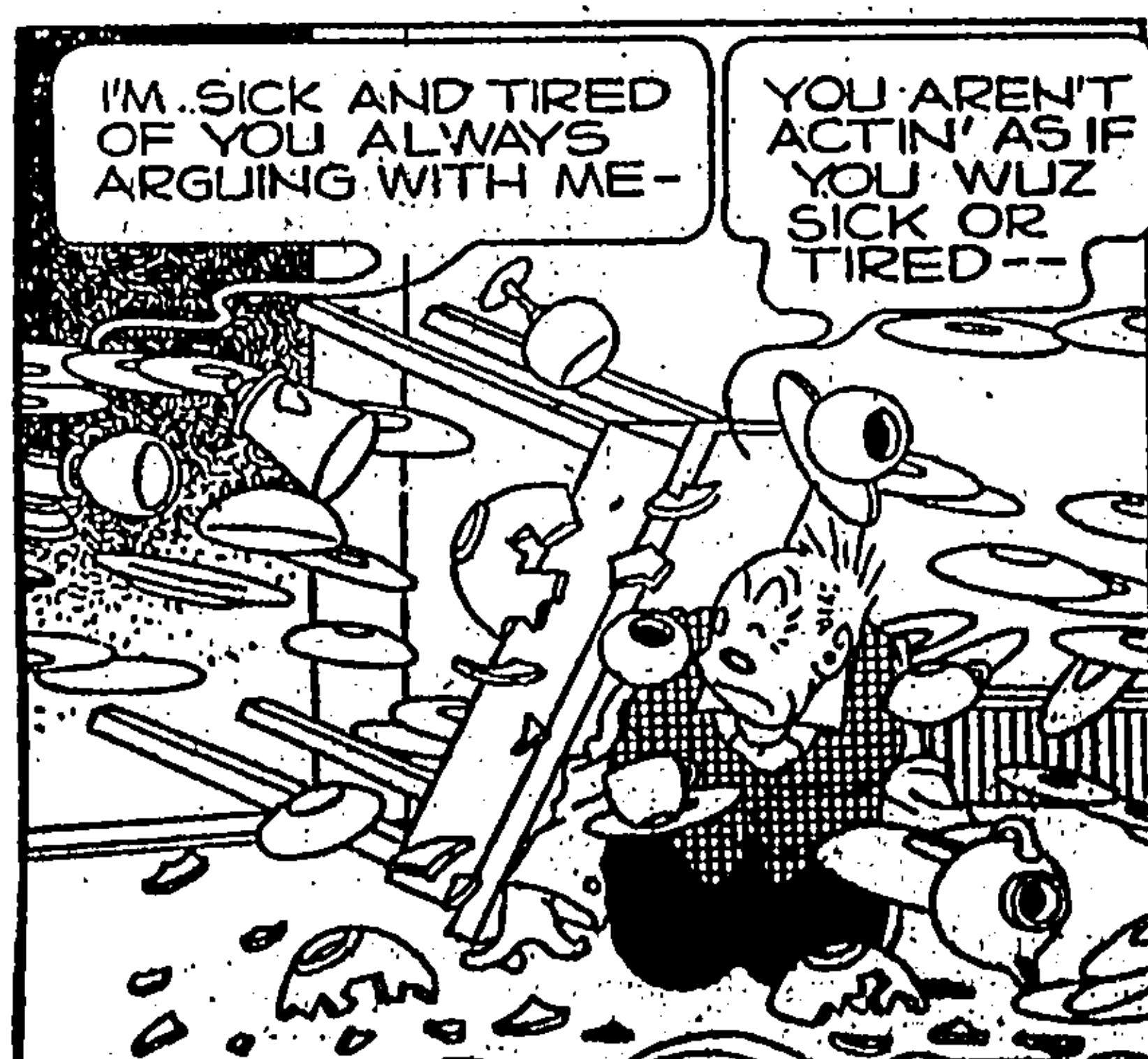
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"THE GUESTS WILL ARRIVE FOR DINNER SOON—MUM—"

"HEAVENS—I FORGOT ALL ABOUT IT—"



"AND WHAT WE GONNA DO FOR DINNER THERE? I LEFT CUP LEFT HOUSE—"

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The "short-heavies" are numerous and they have unique figure problems which are a constant trouble to them.

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The first type, whose hips are large, usually has a full diaphragm to boot, and her figure looks old long before it should.

The second type, with the fuller bust, has also the problem of being short waisted, and she finds that the ordinary run of sizes do absolutely nothing to make her figure more fashionable!

DIET AND EXERCISE IN ORDER

Of course diet and corrective exercises are in order for the "short-heavy" with cumbersome pounds. And much could be done to make her figure more beautiful. But I realise that many women of this figure class of mature years cannot, or will not, diet and exercise themselves to more pleasing proportions, and thus they must resort to the proper under garment if they wish to have pleasing lines.

NEW DESIGNS TO CHOOSE FROM

So prevalent is this figure problems of the older woman that I went to one of the leading corset manufacturers with this question: "What type of garment can these women wear to give them much needed snug-fitting support and at the same time correct figure problems?"

Designers, it seems have been on their toes, and for the "short-heavy," corselettes in half-sizes have been styled with special attention given to these two types of figures.

The "larger hip" lady is moulded into a half-size garment with a nicely fitting bodice for her smaller bust. The "heavy bust" lady is given a built-up shoulder strap and a full pocket bodice for comfort and slimming lines. Her slender hips and short waist are also considered, so when she slips into her dress she actually looks inches taller and sleeker!

With such splendid garments on the market at prices most women can afford, there is no reason why a "short-heavy" should wail, "What can I do?" My answer to you is this: If you will not, or should not because of doctor's orders, diet and exercise, then go posthaste to a good corset department and be properly fitted in one of these newer half-size garments. There is no need for you to suffer from ill-fitting corsets, or to look as if the great fashion experts of our day had excluded your figure type from their consideration! You may be comfortable, healthy and fashionable—it is up to you!



"Short-heavies" find delight in new garments. The figure at the left with larger hipline than bustline, wears a half-size long-waisted garment and snug fitting bodice. The figure on the right with very full bustline, finds comfort in wide pockets and built-up shoulder straps.

The only sure thing about life is the end thereof.

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Wise men change their minds occasionally, but fools have none to change.

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It's easier to take things as they come than it is to part with them as they go.

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Lots of men after laying up something for a rainy day get discouraged because it doesn't rain.

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If one will not, the other cannot quarrel.

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The chiropodist believes in tight shoes—for others.

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More worry is caused by the money people have than by the money they haven't.

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Every man has an idea that others think him important.

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A man is as fat as he looks; a woman is as fat as she wants to look.

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Some men are indifferent as to what others think of them; but what they say of them is another matter.

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Blessed be the inventor who succeeds in perfecting a device that will compel a man to shut up when he has said enough.

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Most things will come your way if you go after them.

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Some people go without what they want in order to get what they don't want.

Only the wise girl selects for a husband a man whose mother didn't know how to cook.

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A true gentleman never marries a woman because she has money, he married her because he has none.

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Woman is a lovely dream—and dreams always go by contraries.

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When a man freely admits that his wife is not stubborn he can afford to stop praying.

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Some folks are so industrious that when they haven't anything else to do they worry.

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A man's enemies never kick when he's down; they stand aside and let his friends do it.

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Suffering loses all its charms for a woman if she has to do it in silence.

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Conversing with a man who always agrees with you is about as monotonous as talking to an echo.

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The successful man doesn't believe in luck.

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A gossip is a person who can make five by adding two and two together.

* * *

A man either gives according to his means or according to his meanness.

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If one's faults showed on the surface most people would look as if they had the measles.

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NEW CHINESE RAILWAYS

Shanghai, To-day.
The Chinese press reports the Chinese Government's extensive railway building programme and enumerates ten lines of which the first four are under construction. The new lines will connect Yunnan with Burma, Kwangsi-Indo-China, Hunan-Kwangsi, Szechuan-Kweichow, Kwangsi-Kweichow, Yunnan-Kweichow, Chengtu-Chungking, Paochi-Chengtu and Szechuan-Sikang.

After completion the total length of these lines will be 6,000 kilometres.—Trans-Ocean.

CZECH STATE OF EMERGENCY

Prague, To-day.
The Government has decided to prolong the State of Emergency which was imposed throughout the country on September 17th.

This action has been taken in agreement with the Slovakian and Ruthenian Provincial Governments. The State of Emergency will undergo no modification during the next three months.—Trans-Ocean.

Around the base of the walls in Mrs. Cromwell's bathroom are slabs of white marble two feet square, each inlaid with jade and semi-precious marbles forming bright flowers and other designs.

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M. MUNTERS GOING HOME

London, To-day.
The Latvian Foreign Minister, Wilhelm Munters, left London yesterday afternoon by the North-Express via Dover and Ostend for Reval to participate in a conference of the Baltic States.

No official statements have been made on the negotiations the Latvian Foreign Minister had in London but well-informed circles believe that they mostly concerned Anglo-Latvian trade.

The same source reports that M. Munters also discussed the possibility of the British armament industry sharing in Latvian rearmament. The Latvian Foreign Minister allegedly made concrete proposals concerning a big Latvian order to be placed with the Vickers works. The British Government is said to be ready to guarantee the financing of the deal.—Trans-Ocean.

FRONTIER CLOSED

London, To-day.
The frontier between Spain and Gibraltar has been closed since Saturday, it is learnt here to-day. Only British subjects and Spaniards who work in Gibraltar are permitted to enter or leave British territory.—Trans-Ocean.



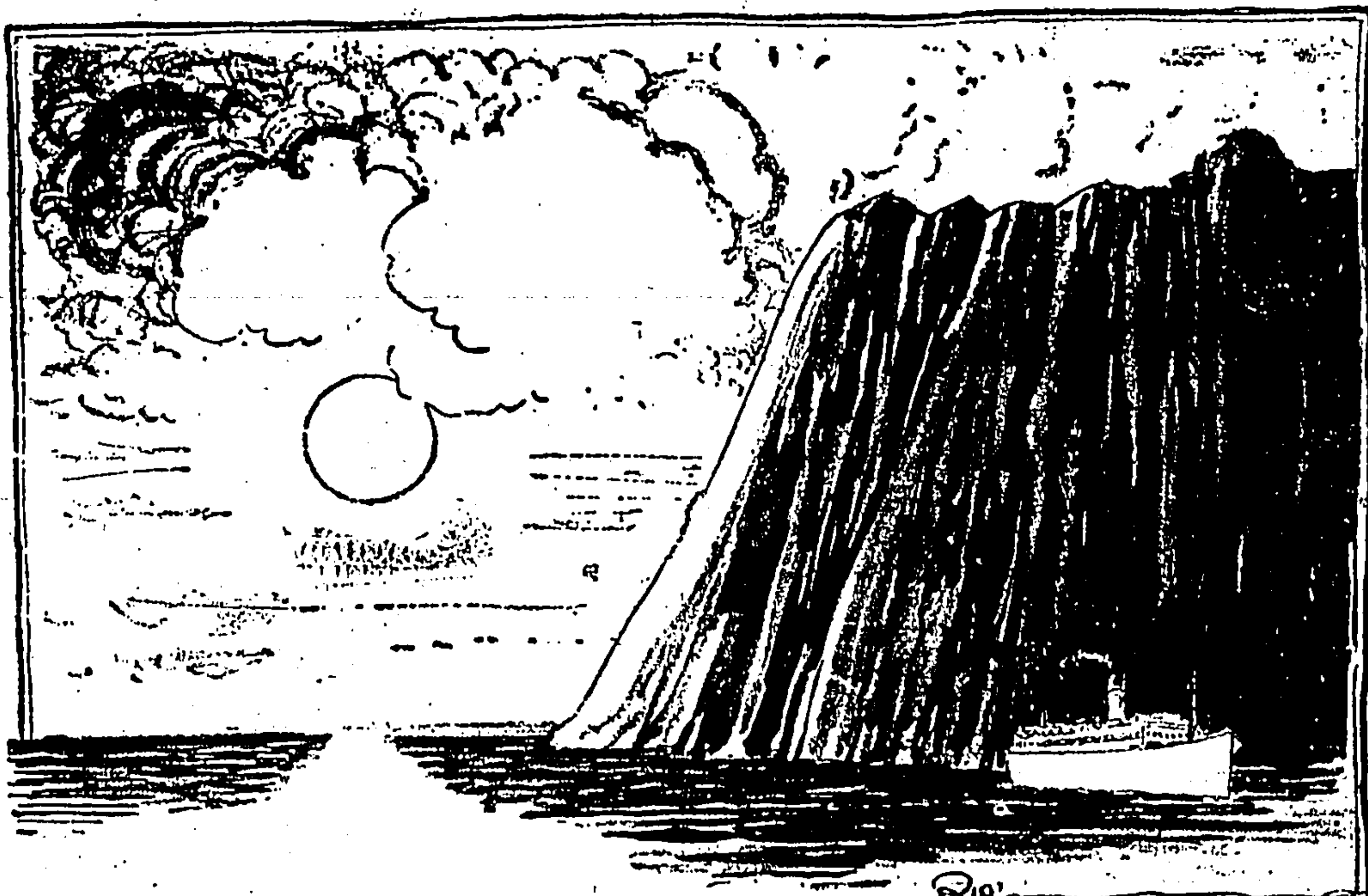
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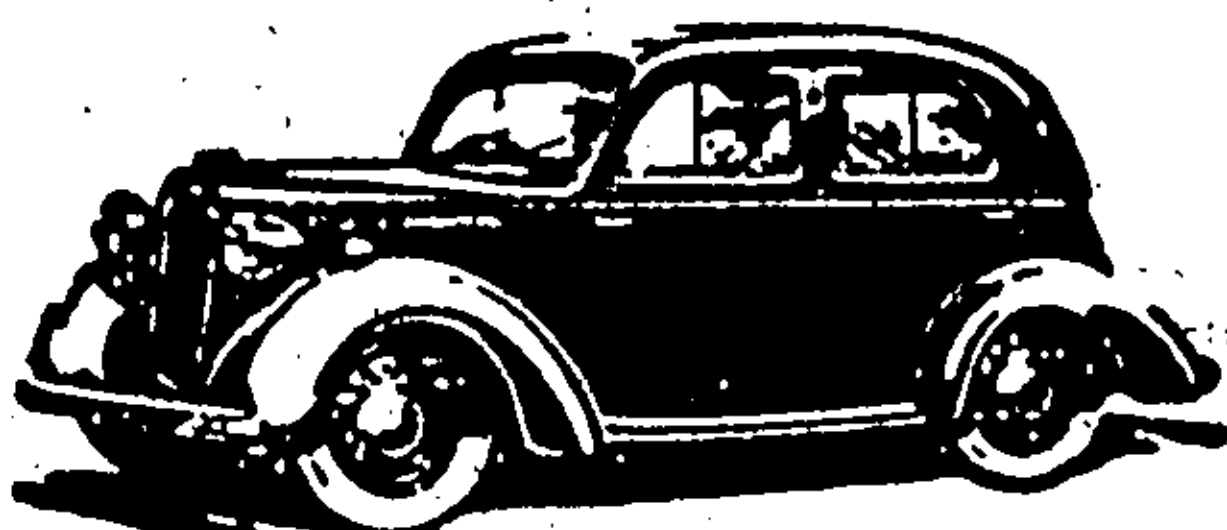
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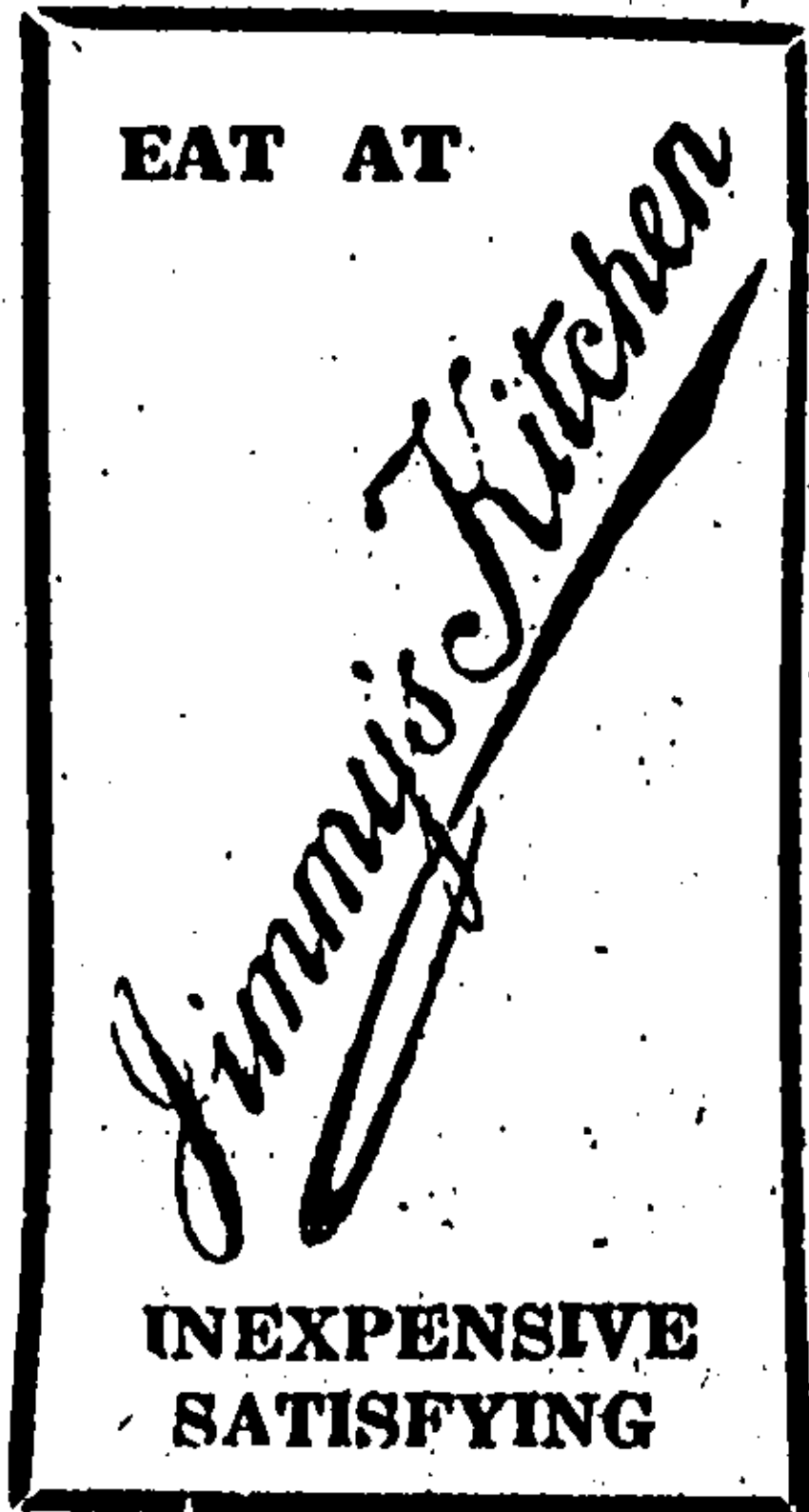


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WHAT THE STARS FORETELL

By MARY BLAKE

You will make no mistake if you let love inspire your thoughts and actions, for most of this day's happiness will come through sentimentality. Emotions may be easily aroused, so guard against making anyone angry. The temptation to tease is apt to prevail, and if yielded to, may produce a very discordant condition. Personality may play a very important part in business, so it is likely to be the spruce, cheerful, energetic type of individual who will fare best in securing contracts or orders. It might be through practical suggestions, or the formulation or presentation of new ideas that money will be made. An excess of caution involving any undue slowness in movement, might be as dangerous as high speed, so during the day you should apply common sense to varied types of motion. Married and engaged couples, as well as those who are in love, must be very careful this day not to jump too hastily to any unpleasant conclusion, regarding anyone's personal actions.

If a woman and December 15 is your birthday, nature probably has endowed you with many natural charms. You must use them discreetly. Too many of the people born on this day believe they are privileged to interpret the rules of conventional society to suit themselves, and frequently suffer the loss of popularity by so doing. Some peculiar trick of fate may make you very rich. You ought to have a decided talent for imparting knowledge and managing other people. As a missionary, welfare worker, trained nurse, teacher, professional entertainer or writer you may become famous. Your marriage is likely to be the result of a true love match, and ought to be a happy and a prosperous one.

The child born on December 15, may have a love for books or music. Being naturally artistic, it may give evidence in its early teens of possessing a gift for doing very skilful work.



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Fault is the one thing that is usually found where it is not.

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A man likes to think that others think he is better than he is.

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Lack of credit prevents some people from living beyond their means.

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At the age of 60 a man may not look to be more than 40—but what's the use.

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Some people are disagreeable because they can't attract attention any other way.

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Few men are wise enough to render one little word sufficient.

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Perseverance will not do everything, but it certainly works wonders.

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Being funny is the hardest kind of work.

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The worst whipping a bully ever gets is from some man who doesn't want to fight.

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If a man is a loafer he probably labours under a delusion.

It is easy enough to say bright things; the difficult part of it is to think of them.

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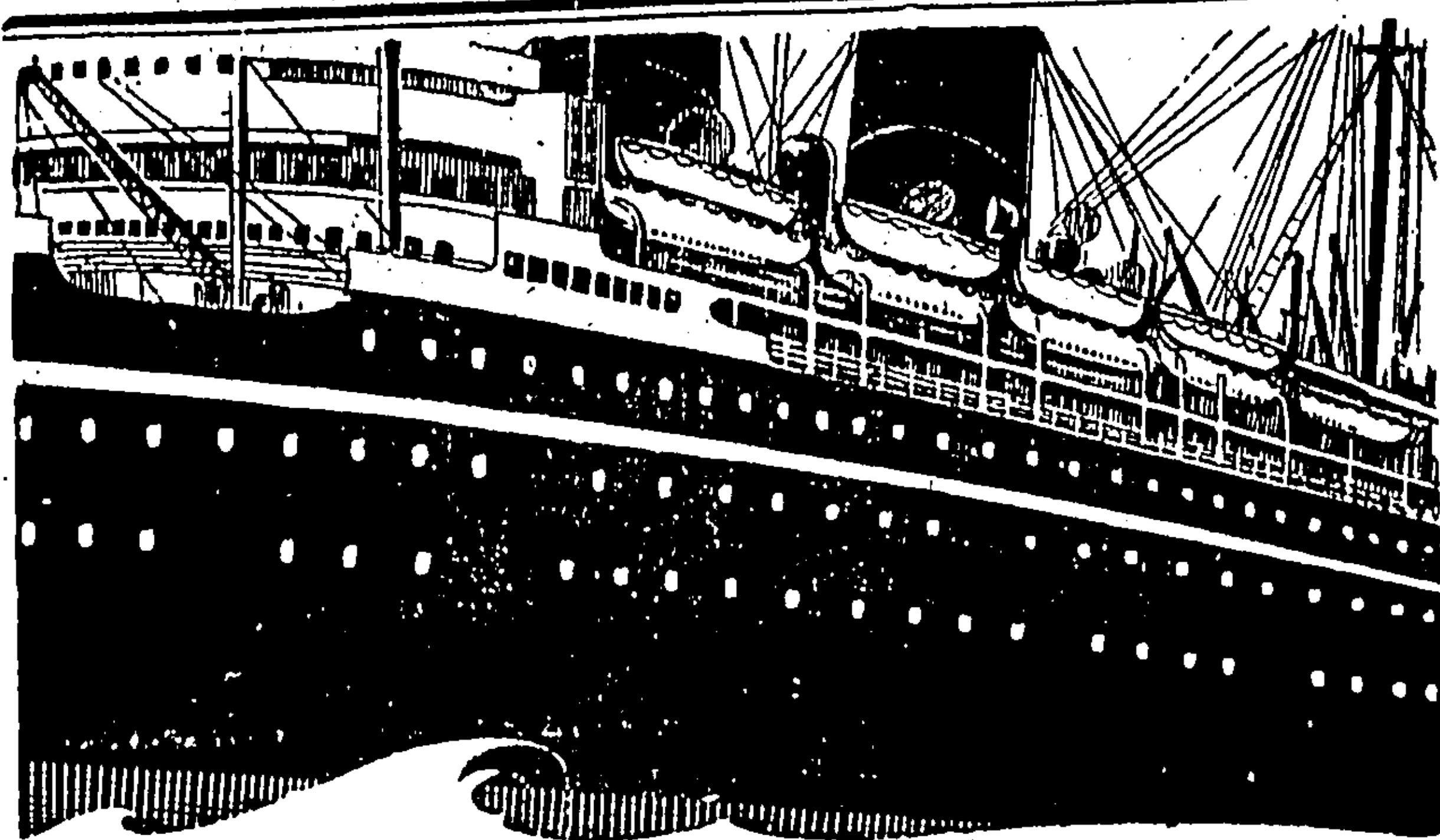
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Manila	Roseville	December 16.
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Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 11th Dec.	Imperial Airways Plane	Dec. 17.
Straits and London Parcels—London date, 10th November.	Agamemnon	December 17.
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Fort Bayard	Wing Wo	Dec. 15, 1 p.m.
Parcels only for Germany via Hamburg	Scharnhorst	Dec. 15, 5 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 22nd Dec.	Imperial Airways Plane	Dec. 15, 5 p.m.
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Foochow	Sandviken	Dec. 15, 7 p.m.
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Fort Bayard	Kiangsu	Dec. 16, 8.30 a.m.
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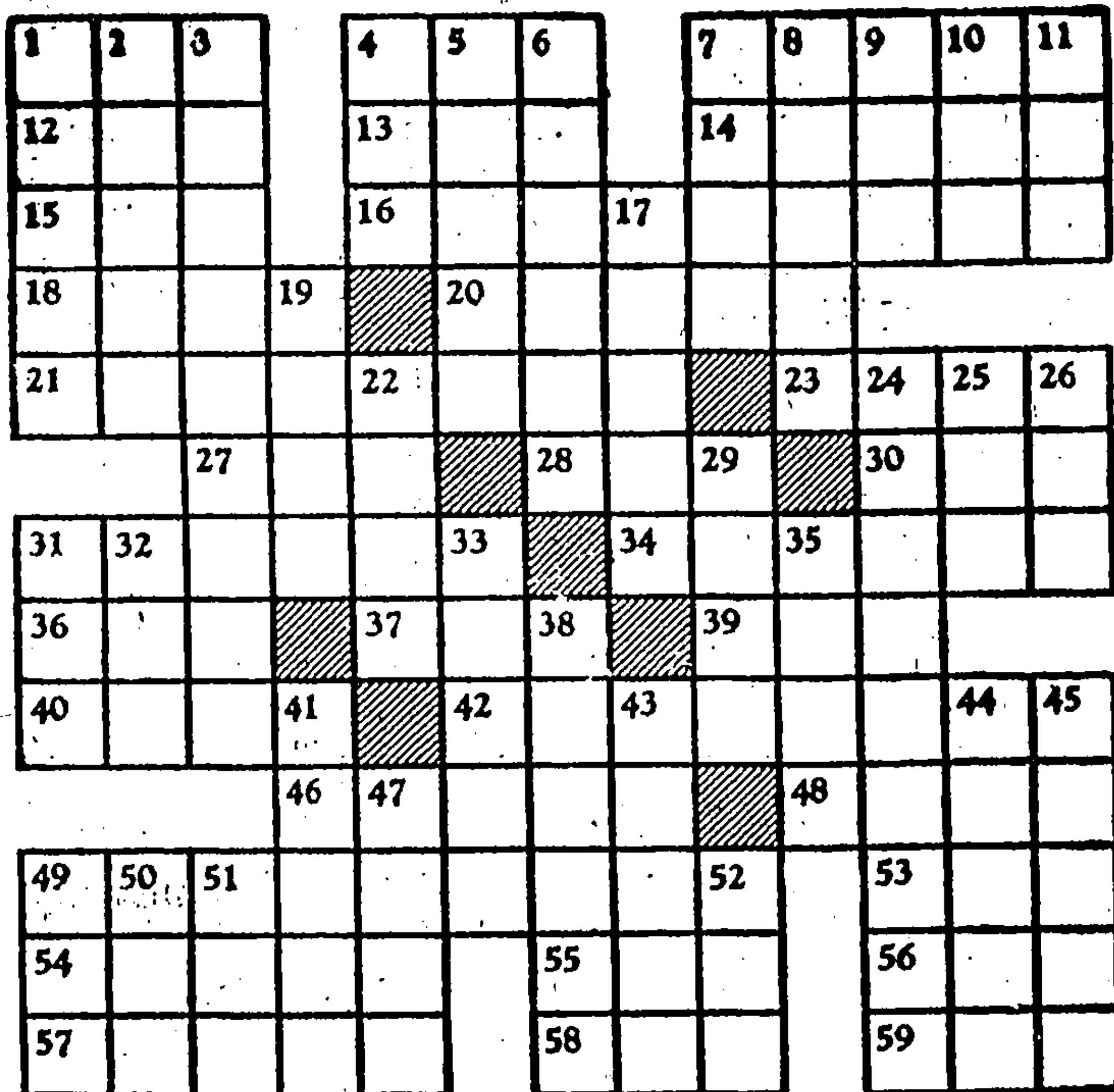
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- 4 Sorrowful
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- 12 Beverage
- 13 French island
- 14 Soap plant
- 15 Conjunction
- 16 Kind of restaurant
- 18 Was aware of
- 20 Italian city
- 21 Southern Indian
- 23 Snare
- 27 To cool
- 28 Old French coin
- 30 Western Indian
- 31 Quenches
- 34 Characteristics
- 36 To assist
- 37 Underworld god
- 39 Trap
- 40 Girl's nickname
- 42 Commanders
- 46 Dying cosmetic

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- 48 Pace
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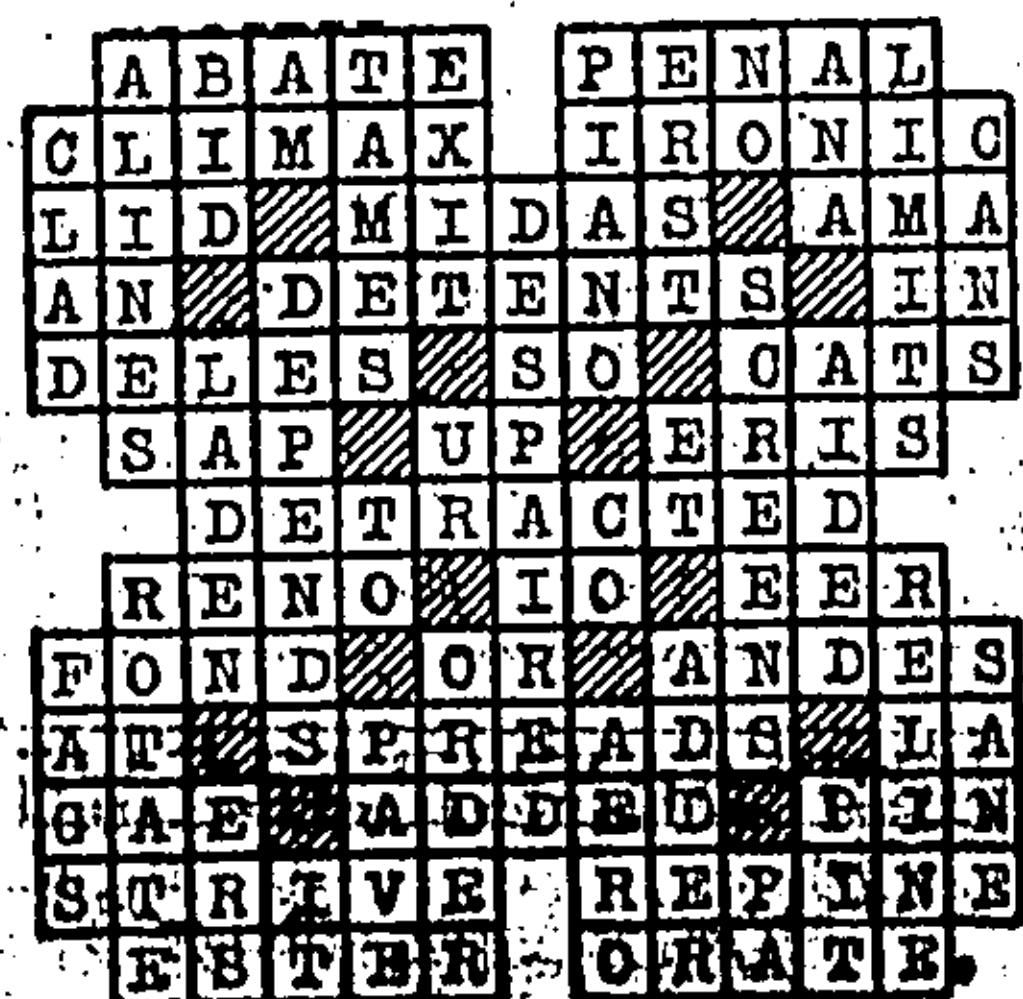
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- 58 Cloth measure
- 59 Born
- 1 Rows
- 2 Solitary
- 3 Laments
- 4 Thus
- 5 Texas fortress

VERTICAL

- 6 Narrow mountain path
- 7 Facts
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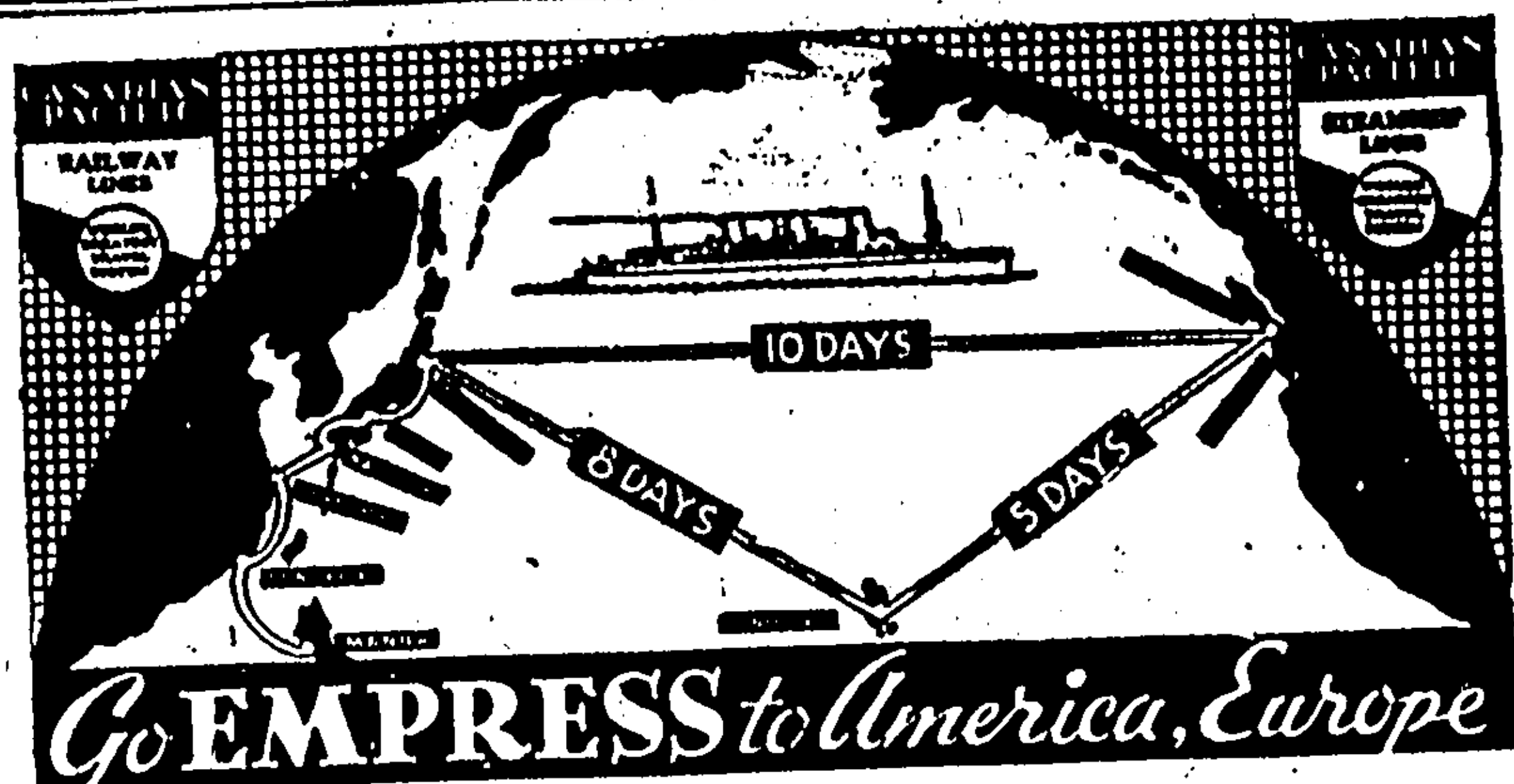
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agreed that the trainer was a "very competent man."

Mr. Potter: "But, according to you he was not a very honest man?"

"I did not say that."

"Well, he supplied the Hong Kong Jockey Club with a statement to debit you with 91 pounds of extra forage."

Mr. Potter: "Are you familiar with the way the Jockey Club issues fodder?"—"No."

"When you received the bill why did you not go and see the trainer?"—"The Jockey Club sent me the bill, I replied to them."

"Is that your only reason for not going to see the trainer?"—"The Jockey Club sent me the bill."

Mr. Potter: "I put it to you that the Jockey Club do not interfere with the way the trainer feeds the ponies?"—"I do not know."

"You have been in racing since 1935, do you mean to say you do not know?"—"The Jockey Club never interfered with me, I do not know whether they interfered with the trainer."

Mr. Potter: "If in fact they do not interfere with the trainer or yourself regarding the way the ponies are fed, the one and only man to say whether there was excess forage, is the trainer?"—"The trainer or the mafoos."

"Then why did you not go and ask the trainer?"—"I wrote to the Secretary of the Jockey Club."

"Where would he go to ascertain whether excess forage was supplied?"—"I do not know."

ONLY SUBSTANTIAL PROOF

Pressed by Counsel, plaintiff said that besides the trainer, the mafoos would know whether excess forage was supplied. He could not be sure whether the trainer would know if excess forage was supplied during a certain period.

Mr. Potter: "Do you seriously suggest that you do not know to which person to go to ascertain whether excess fodder was given to the pony?"—"I do not."

"An owner would go to the trainer or the mafoos to ascertain whether excess forage was given to the ponies," replied plaintiff later when a question was put by the Acting Justice.

Mr. Potter: "If I satisfied you that the trainer, To Kau-po, on February 28, reported that in fact you should be charged for extra forage, would you have paid?"—"I would carry out investigations."

"I put it to you that the only substantial proof the Jockey Club could get was from the trainer?"—"Yes, and possibly the mafoos."

Referring to a letter from the Jockey Club stating that the trainer reported that 91 pounds extra forage should be debited to plaintiff's account, Mr. Potter asked plaintiff whether he could give any reason why he did not go to see the trainer. Plaintiff replied in the negative.

Plaintiff admitted that the trainer would be the man to draw extra forage from the Jockey Club, if there were arrangements for extra fodder.

Mr. Potter: "Do you agree that

the only substantial proof would be from the trainer or the mafoos?"—"I suppose it is."

The case is continuing this afternoon.

DOGS AND CATS FOR FOOD

The use of dog and cat flesh as human food was described by Mr. Taylor, Chief Sanitary Inspector, at the Central Magistracy this morning when he prosecuted Wong Kwong before Mr. R. Edwards for keeping an eating house without a licence.

Mr. Taylor said that he raided premises at No. 8, Kau Yu Fong, last night and found dog and cat flesh in boilers, a newly skinned cat, and a live dog, tied up in the kitchen. The dog was suspected of being astray.

The same premises, said the Inspector, were raided last year. Defendant was remanded for 24 hours in custody.

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Similar liaison officers have already been appointed by Australia, Canada and New Zealand, conformably with an agreement reached at the Imperial Conference, in the summer of 1937. — Trans-Ocean.

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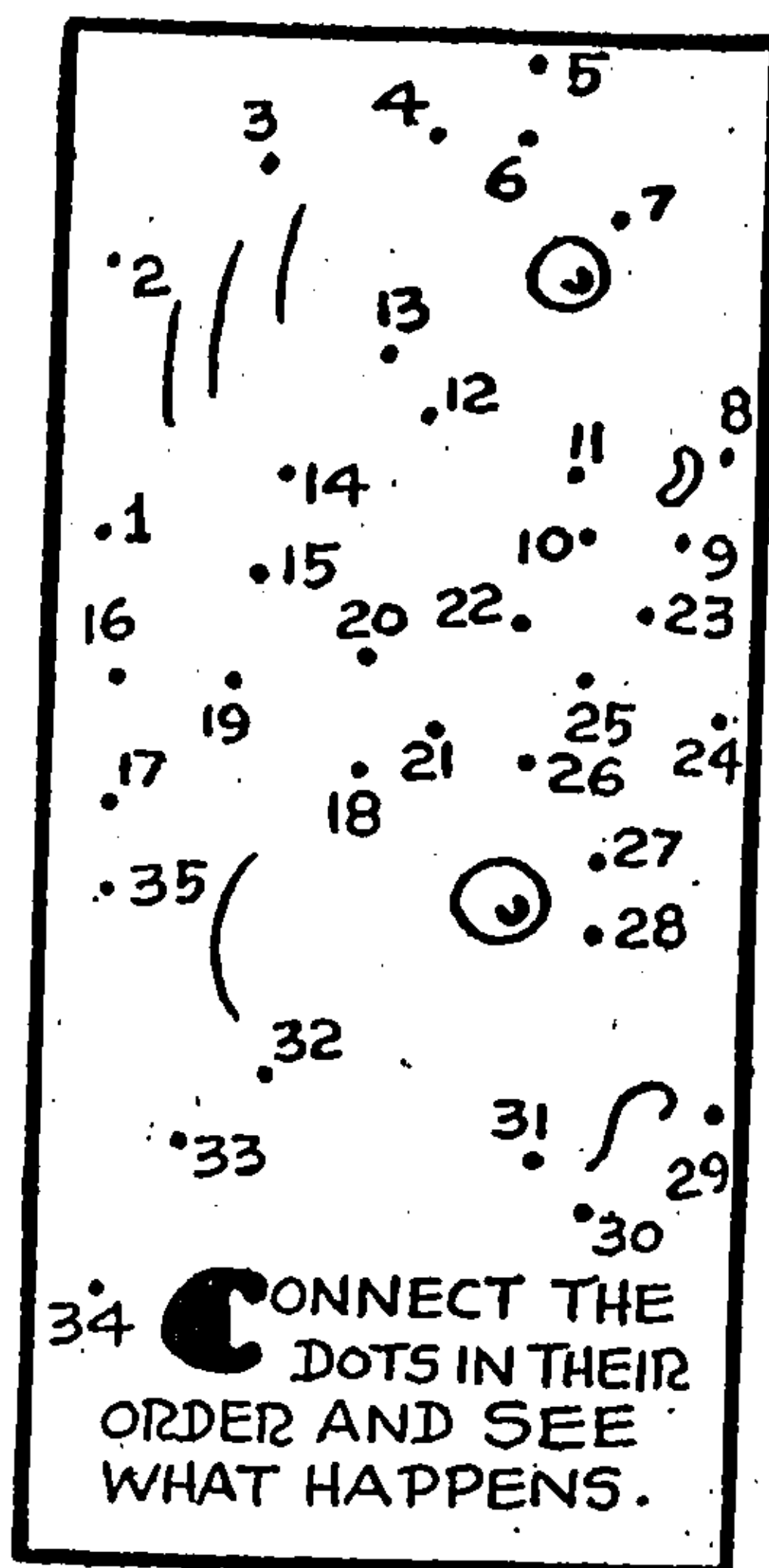
Shanghai, To-day.
According to Chinese papers here, the British Consul-General has proposed to the Japanese authorities joint Anglo-Japanese administration of the Shanghai-Nanking and Shanghai-Hangchow railways during hostilities.

The papers declare the Japanese promised to give due consideration to this proposal which provides that the Japanese pay monthly interest on the British capital invested in the railways and depositing it at a designated bank. — Trans-Ocean.

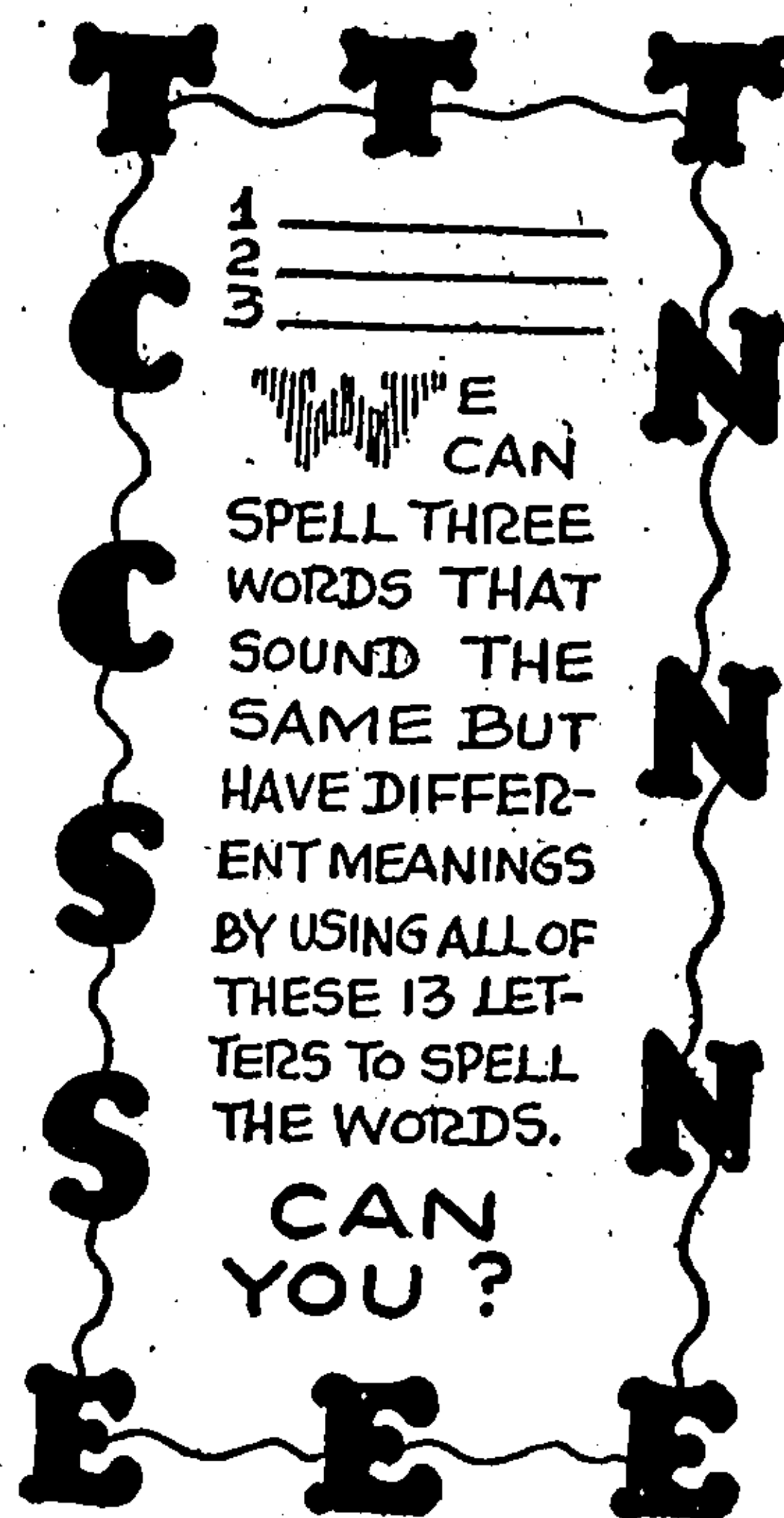
LITHUANIAN AGITATION

Memel, To-day.
The Lithuanian opposition group in Memel held a demonstration meeting yesterday evening during which the Kaunas Government was severely criticised, and the resignation of Dr. Smetona was demanded.

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ed. The Memel German authorities at first forbade the meeting but later gave their consent. — Trans-Ocean.

BRITISH TRADE FIGURES

London, To-day.
Overseas trade returns for November show imports valued at £78,028,496 against £79,034,856 in the preceding month and £97,268,371 in November last year.

Exports at £42,923,223 compare with £47,559,996 in October and £45,183,169 in November, 1937.

The corresponding figures for re-exports were £15,113,912 for November, £5,445,983 for October and £5,305,646 for November, 1937. — British Wireless.

LOCAL DOLLAR

The demand rate on the Hong Kong dollar to-day was 1/2-7/8.

"Spot" silver was quoted in London at 20½ and forward at 19-9/16.

The London on New York rate was quoted at £—U.S.\$4.6725 and the New York on London rate at £—U.S.\$4.67½.

London, To-day.
The opposition have given notice of a vote of censure on the Government's foreign policy.

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Diocesan Girls Cause Major Upset: "Y" Ladies Unbeatable? Some Interesting Tit-Bits

(By "STICKS")

Caer Clark Cup

Champions' Attack Brilliant

"Y" Ladies' attack gave a superb exhibition last Saturday—with only 10 players—against Central British Ladies and scored half a dozen goals to their opponents' one. Backed up by an equally splendid intermediate line, in which Miss Muriel McCaw stood head and shoulders above the rest, there was little wrong that the winners could accomplish.

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Miss Anne Fowler was, for unexpected business reasons, unable to play, but even so "Y" Ladies easily coped with Central British Ladies' attack and to such an extent that their halves were able to lie well up the field and constitute a double menace to the C.B.A. defence.

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Mrs. Stone was forced to fulfil a double role as a "wandering right-half-right-back" and gave excellent service. Mrs. Williams gave an improved display at left-half but with Miss Marie Smith lying back, had a comparatively easy day.

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Central British Ladies were best served in their intermediate line where Miss Irish Woolley had a herculean task in curbing the activities of the "Y's" inside-forwards

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H. T. Bartlett, European "Y" hockey inside-forward, is playing at the top of his form at the moment. ("China Mail" photo).

HOCKEY CHATTER

I am given to understand that Hong Kong Ladies Hockey Club and not the Hockey Umpires' Board, are responsible for the appointment of umpires officiating at either Caer Clark Cup or Brawn Cup Leagues matches at the Valley every Saturday.

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I understand that Nomads entered the Hong Kong Hockey Association Tournament long after the official closing date and that their matches against various teams are

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Brawn Cup

"Y" Ladies Handicapped

"Y" Ladies' juniors are seriously handicapped in that they must sacrifice a good defensive player for the goalkeeper's berth. Miss A. Ambrose is a weak link in goal, but is a steady and hard hitting full-back. The "Y" Ladies, unfortunately, have no choice in the matter as nobody else will fill the goalkeeper's position.

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I hear that Miss Nancy Eardley, "Y" Ladies' junior inside-right, will not be available for several weeks as the result of several hard knocks sustained in last Saturday's game against Hong Kong Ladies. This is a severe blow to the team as she was just beginning to make her presence felt and to work up a sound understanding with Miss Violet Bradbury.

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Miss V. Bradbury, their centre-forward, has had a strenuous season and last Saturday, against H. K. Ladies, this proved no exception. Soon after Miss Eardley had been hit and injured, Miss Bradbury had to carry the brunt of the "Y" Ladies attack on her shoulders, but lacking the necessary support was invariably robbed in or near the circle.

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For Hong Kong Ladies, Miss V. Blackburn and Miss P. Reeve formed a very effective left-wing combination in which the former's speed and determination were deciding factors in the goal she scored.

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"REVIEWER'S" SPORTS COMMENTARY

Sir P. Warner's Loss To Test Committee

THE name of Sir Pelham Warner will not be offered for consideration when the Board of Control meet next spring to appoint the selectors of England's cricket team against the West Indies during the summer.

Sir Pelham, who has been chairman of the last four Selection Committees, is now 65, and in deciding not to stand again for office has set an example to many of those who, in various branches of sport, are apt to "lag superfluous."

Each year the duties of a chairman tend to become more arduous. He is the official link between his committee and the Press, and nowadays looks after the comfort, the travelling arrangements and the accommodation of the team. It was under Sir Pelham's regime that these last details, which had previously been treated in a somewhat haphazard way, first received proper attention.

His is definitely a full-time job (and, of course, an unpaid one), which is generally rewarded by an excess of blame over praise. In recent seasons it has not been rendered easier by the proneness to injury of players who have been selected.

"I have been very happy in my years of office," Sir Pelham said recently, "even though there have been some worrying times. I wish to pay particular thanks to all those who have helped me with suggestions and encouragement. I shall always remember with pleasure the appreciation which the players have shown of any little thing one has been able to do for them."

"English cricket, with so many young men already established or on the point of being so, seems to me to be in a far happier position than for many years."

It will be remembered that Bradman in a recent speech in Australia laid great emphasis on this particular point.

Sir Pelham was first appointed on a Selection Committee in 1905, when he served with Lord Hawke and Mr. J. A. Dixon. This was a fine year for England, who were a much better side than Australia. The Hon. F. S. Jackson was captain, and he beat J. Darling in the toss in every Test match.

In 1926, when Australia were beaten at the Oval in the only decided match Sir Pelham was chairman of the committee which caused something of a sensation in choosing A. P. F. Chapman to lead the side after A. W. Carr had been captain in the first four matches.

They were fully justified, for Chapman's example and the great work by Hobbs, Sutcliffe, Rhodes and Larwood brought England victory by 289 runs.

It is not possible to make any forecast of his successor. Those who served with him on the last committee were P. A. Perrin, A. B. Sellers (captain of Yorkshire), M. J. Turnbull (captain of Glamorgan), and W. R. Hammond, who, as England's captain, was co-opted.

MACAO HOCKEY

Mutterings from Macao . . . As hockey continues to be the premier sport in this Colony, the greatest interest is evidenced in the forthcoming match in Macao on Sunday between the Army Officers' eleven and the local Club. Subsequent to this fixture, the Hong Kong University will take the field against Macao's second eleven on Tuesday, December 20.

It is learned that the Royal Navy will play in Macao on January 8. The local secretary has invited the Hong Kong Police team to engage the Macao team on the following Sunday, January 15. Other teams will also be invited to visit Macao on subsequent dates.

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BRAWN CUP

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Recreio "A" Just Too Good For C.B.A.

Recreio "A" proved a better all round team than Central British Ladies, their combination in attack and staunch intermediate line providing the deciding factors.

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Miss J. Osmund, just promoted from Recreio "B" to a half back position, was very sound in her positional play and consequently was invariably in a position to effect a clearance. Miss C. Silva, at centre-forward, and Miss A. Alves, at inside-left, were their most effective forwards, the latter being a continual source of danger to the C.B.A. defence.

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Miss P. Gonsalves, who has a reputation of being a constructive half-back, proved much too good for Miss E. Woolley, the C.B.A. Ladies' leading goalscorer and, as a result, the rest of the home team's forwards were unable to get going.

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Miss C. Bone, ever since her relegation to the Brawn Cup League, has been displaying excellent form and Saturday proved no exception to the rule. She was, however, hopelessly outnumbered by the opposition forwards, who looked as if they had been well groomed in methods of attack by Recreio's men.

Seaforths Continue In Winning Vein

Seaforth Ladies continued in winning vein at the expense of Recreio "B" and have retained their 100 per cent. record. Recreio "B", however, did exceptionally well to hold their opponents down to a mere one goal victory in view of the fact that they have had little or no preparatory experience at the game.

A very unexpected result occurred in the D.G.S.-St. Andrew's clash where the former, probably due to excellent coaching by Miss Marie Smith, "Y" Ladies brilliant inside-left, swamped their opponents to the tune of 4 goals to 1. At the very outside, the most optimistic of supporters would hardly have given them credit for victory by a single goal, but their victory testifies to their keenness and ability to learn the game.

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Miss Longbottom and Miss Hicks, two able forwards, scored through excellent backing up, while Miss A. Chang came into the picture later in the game with some clever dribbles which had the Saints' defence at sixes-and-sevens.

HOCKEY CHATTER

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arranged at odd moments, making the appointment of umpires a difficult one. Closer co-operation between Club Hon. Secretaries and the officials responsible for the smooth running of the H.K.H.A. Tournament, will probably result in better results!

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H. Kuelps, newly acquired European "Y" left-half, is leaving for Shanghai shortly on a short visit of about three weeks, but will be available after the New Year.

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H. Dawson, European "Y" and Royal Air Force centre-half, is experiencing great difficulty in playing hockey for both these teams and at the same time keep his place in the R.A.F. soccer eleven. Although he is not on a par with Willy Reed as a centre-half, he has few equals, if any, in the Colony as an inside-left and should catch the eye of the Interport selectors in the very near future.

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Probably one of the most interesting extracts on the game caught my eye yesterday when glancing through the "Daily Mail" year book for 1939 which reads:

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The International Hockey Board responsible for the playing rules, have made TWO REVOLUTIONARY CHANGES for the 1938-39 season. After many years of discussion and hesitation, the Board have deleted hooking and all foot-play entirely from the rules. It has taken many years for hooking to finally disappear from the men's game, although the women removed this unpopular playing point from their own rules many years ago. By the absence of hooking, it means now that any form of interference with an opponent's stick is definitely illegal.

As regards the elimination of footplay, this has remained one of the relics of old time hockey rules for over 150 years. It means that now the ball can only be played or stopped with the stick, with the hand to be used for catching the ball in the air or stopping its progress on the ground. Of course, the goalkeeper still retains his previous privileges of using his feet in defence.

It is the unanimous view that the Board have instituted a great reform which will improve the greater science of the game.

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F. Ashford, a member of the Royal Corps of Signals and "Y" second eleven, is down on the sick list with an alleged attack of dysentery.

It is suggested in hockey circles that a bye-law be included in the rules of Ladies' League hockey to prevent a match from being recognised in the event of any one team fielding only six players. A stipulation that seven or more members shall constitute a League team, should be laid down in order to avoid another farce such as that which occurred last Sunday morning on the Central British School ground!



Flt. Lt. J. R. R. Jenkins, Captain of the European "Y" first eleven, will be taking two teams to Macao on January 22. ("China Mail" photo).

CAER CLARK CUP

(Continued from Page 22)

Miss J. Booker, at right-half, has deteriorated greatly in recent matches and concentrates too much on the right-wing instead of swinging the ball about to better advantage. The J. Ewing and M. Booker right-wing partnership are still the most dangerous C.B.A. pair.

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"Too Many Cooks" At Valley

"Too many Cooks," this quotation aptly described the position at the Valley where St. Andrew's Ladies unexpectedly beat Hong Kong Ladies by the odd goal in three. Hong Kong Ladies must blame their defence for their defeat. There were too many halves stepping on the corns of their full-backs to make the position comfortable, and in this respect, although she meant well, Mrs. Dalziel was greatly at fault.

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Against a fast forward line like St. Andrew's, it was almost suicidal for H. K. Ladies' backs to lie so far up the field, and in this respect Miss Hutchison was often passed

Hockey Umpires Position Clarified

For the benefit of those who are unaware of the circumstances governing the appointment of umpires to Ladies' hockey matches, it must be pointed out that the Hockey Umpires Board is under no obligation to the Hong Kong Ladies' Hockey Association for the appointment of such officials, but that they are willing to help, in the interests of the game.

I understand that the Hon. Secretary of the Hockey Umpires Board resented certain criticism appearing in these columns on the grounds that they were presumably unfair, but that is strictly incorrect for I was only offering "constructive criticism" here and there in the interests of the game.

I contend that if a job must be done, it must be done well!

I also think it is about time the Ladies Hockey Association stood on its own feet regarding umpires. There must be many ladies in the Colony who have given up competitive hockey, but who would willing to learn if encouraged.

CHINA'S TEAM FOR "SUNDAY HERALD" CUP

The following have been chosen to represent China against Scotland in the First Round of the "Sunday Herald" International Charity Cup competition on Tuesday, December 27 at Sookunpoo:

Tam Kwan-kon; Mak Shui-hon and Lee Ting-sang; Lau Hing-choi, Leung Wing-chui and Hsu King-sing; Yeung Shui-yick, Fung King-cheung, Lee Wai-tong (Capt.), Lai Shui-wing and Hau Ching-to.

Reserves:—Pau Ka-ping, Hau Hong-sang, Soong Ling-sing, Lo Wai-kuen, Lou Wai-pui, Chow Man-chi, Lee Tak-ke, Lau Tau-man and Chan Tak-fai.

London, To-day. — In their annual squash rackets tournament held at the Junior Carlton Club, Cambridge University beat Oxford University by five clear matches.—Reuter.

with comparative ease, although her terrier-like methods proved annoying to the Saints' inside-forwards.

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Mrs. Lunson continues to be the most effective goal-keeper in Ladies' hockey and is certain to be one of the favourites for this position in the next Interport match. She uses her pads very effectively and hits an accurate ball.

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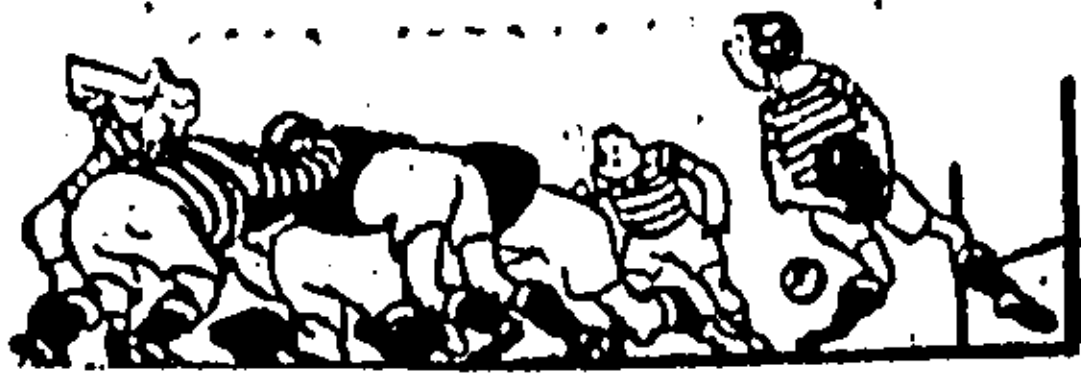
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NAVY RUGBY XV TO MEET ARMY

The following will represent Royal Navy against Army at Rugby in the Triangular Tournament on the Army ground at 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 17.

A. B. Hunt (Eagle); Lieut. Walters (Medway); Lieut. Skelton (Medway); P. O. Askwith (Dainty); Lieut. (E.) Lewis (Birmingham); Lieut. Elliot (Capt.) (Eagle); Lieut. Talbot (Medway); A. B. Thatcher (Eagle); Mr. Witherdon (Duncan); Ldg. Sea, Romans (Eagle); Sub Lt. (A) Hain (Eagle); Lieut. Darling (Medway); Lieut. Ogle (Medway); Lieut. Manners (Birmingham); Lieut. Anderson (Medway).

Club "A's" Rugby Win Over Navy

In a fairly scrappy Rugby game at the Valley yesterday, Club "A" beat a Naval fifteen by a goal and three tries (14 points) to a try and two penalty (9 points).

Club were fielding a fairly strong team, particularly in the back division where D. H. Stewart, D. I. Bosanquet (2) and H. Van Leeuwen scored tries, one of which was converted by K. A. Munro, while Ashton (two penalty goals) K. Kinghorne (try) scored for Navy.

British Lightweight Title Bout

London, To-day.

One of the most thrilling lightweight boxing contests for many years is anticipated at the Haringay Arena to-night when the London boxer, Dave Crowley, defends his British title against the 18-year-old blacksmith's assistant, Eric Boon, of Cambridgeshire, over 15 rounds.

Boon will undoubtedly bank everything on his exceptional two handed sustained attack, but it is problematical whether he is cap-



able of creating the necessary openings against a more experienced boxer like Crowley, whose ringcraft and bobbing and weaving nonstop methods make him a difficult target.—Reuter.

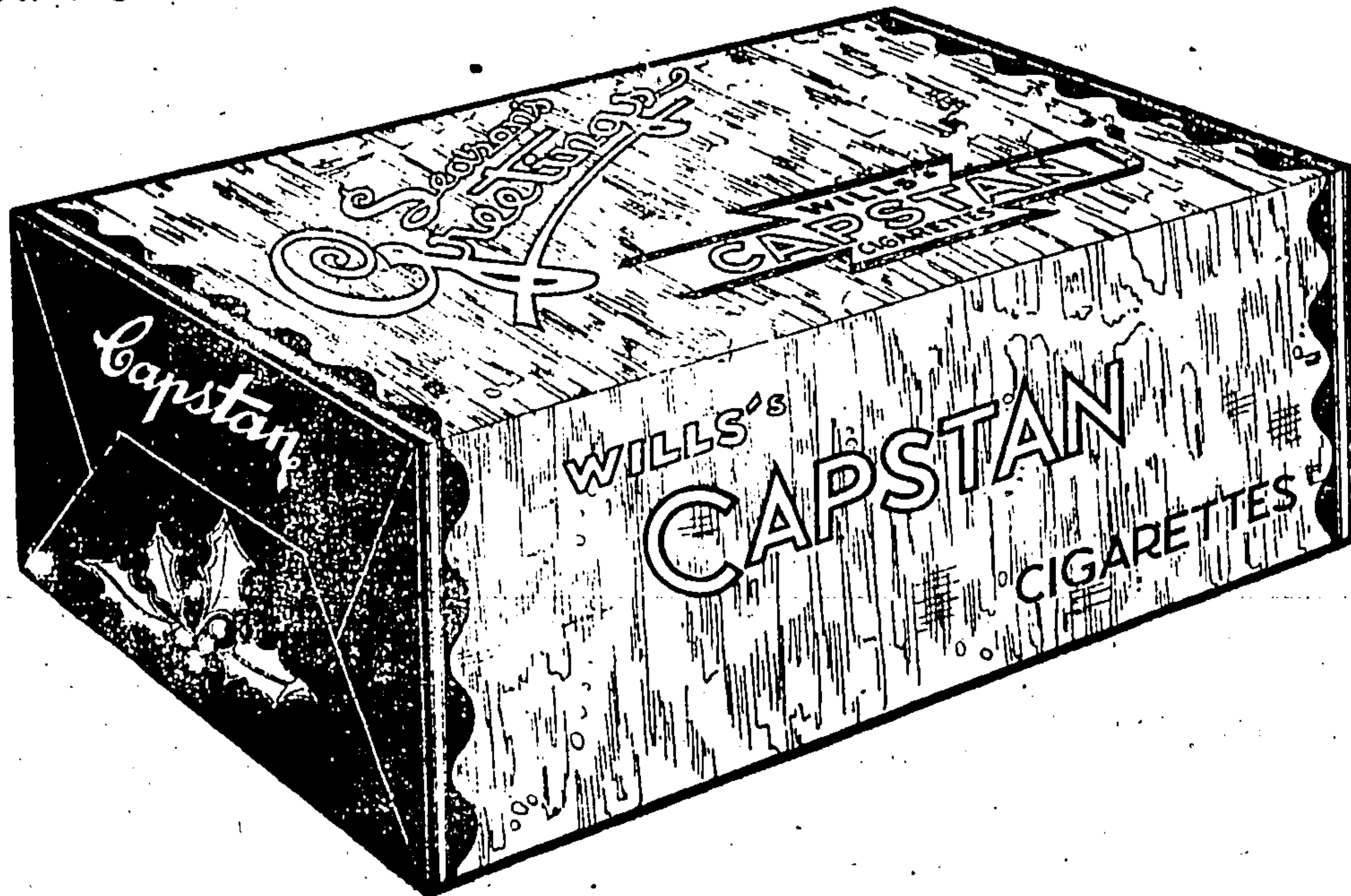
F. A. CUP REPLAY

London, To-day.

Mansfield and Halifax Town again shared the spoils, scoring three goals each after extra time in their F. A. Cup Third Round replay. — Reuter.

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SEMI-FINAL*(Mrs. Tracey and Mrs. Skinner beat Mrs. O. Burnett and Miss V. Bradbury 5-7, 6-0, 7-5.)*

Never reaching any great heights of brilliance, Mrs. Tracey and Mrs. Skinner, at the U.S.R.C. yesterday afternoon, beat the K.C.C. pair, Mrs. Burnett and Miss V. Bradbury after a ding-dong struggle.

There was never very much in it, as the scores suggest. Throughout, with never an occasional volleying coup to relieve the monotony, the match was fought out from the baseline. Tactics never changed. It was a case of the survival of the fittest, or rather, the least erratic in prolonged driving duels.

Mrs. Tracey and Mrs. Skinner were slightly more consistent and so they won. There is little more than that can be said. The former drove powerfully and rarely made a mistake on either hand, while Mrs. Skinner, although her forehand drive with exaggerated top-spin would not have won a prize for technique, it was seldom that she failed to get it into court.

THE LOSERS

For the losers, Miss Bradbury, for the most part, was made the object of attack and she stood up to the pounding very well, especially in the final set when she got her forehand drive working and returned with interest anything directed to her part of the court.

She scored with sizzling drives up the tramlines with an occasional cross-court drive which was every bit as effective. Her backhand, which was all wrong from a tennis point of view, proved sufficient for the occasion and she nearly always got it over the net although beyond that, there is little that can be said for this department of her game.

Mrs. Burnett, when not hurried, made all her strokes very nicely, but was inclined to fall down when hurried on the backhand. She was the only one of the four who ever made any attempt to take the forecourt and had she persisted in these methods—she appeared to lack confidence in her volley—the result might well have been reversed.

JAMES DEAR
WINS OPEN
SQUASH TITLEF. D. Amr Bey Did
Not Compete

London, To-day.

James Dear yesterday won the British Open Squash rackets title when he beat A. E. Biddle, by 6-9, 9-1, 9-2, 9-6. Dear won the first match last week by 3 games to 2.

The Egyptian, F. D. Amr Bey, recognised as the finest squash player the world has ever produced and holder of the title for the previous five years, did not compete.—Reuter.



Every year, the Historic Eton Wall Game is played on the fields of Eton between the Oppidans and the Collegers, dressed in striped socks, scarfs and caps of college colours. Photo shows—A line of players marching across the fields at Eton dressed in their traditional attire. (Copyright. Fox).

£1000-A-Side
Challenge
Golf MatchSettlement Reached By
Toss Of Coin

(By AIR MAIL)

London.

H. G. Bentley and Henry Cotton will play their much-discussed £2000 challenge match against Brig.-General A. C. Critchley and Alfred Perry at Addington, Croydon, on December 12, and at Birkdale, Southport, on December 14. Play will be by four-somes, and 36 holes on each day.

After ten days of negotiations by telephone and telegram from London to Southport and the Continent, the parties reached agreement by the toss of a coin, to which Bentley "called" from 200 miles away.

The match was arranged in the first place for Southport on November 30 and Addington on December 2. Neither Bentley nor Cotton could accept these dates, and yesterday Bentley accepted a suggestion that the game should be played on December 12 and 14.

. ANOTHER HITCH

Then another hitch arose. Bentley and Cotton agreed—on the telephone—that it would be more convenient to both if the match started at Addington and finished at Southport. Critchley, when approached, said, "I am tired of arguing about it. Tell Bentley I will toss him for choice."

Bentley accepted the offer, and, sitting before the telephone in his father's house at Southport called "heads." "Heads" it was, and Bentley said:—

FIRST AT ADDINGTON

"The first 36 holes shall be played at Addington," and later Critchley received a telegram confirming the new arrangement.

Admission money will be charged at both courses, and the proceeds will go to charity. Captain M. H. Heppel, Addington secretly, plans to divide the profits between a local hospital and the Professional Golfers' Association Benevolent Fund.

WEEK-END CRICKET

TEAMS

The following will represent Club de Recreio 1st. XI in a friendly cricket match against Indian R.C. on the latter's ground on Saturday:

A. M. Rodrigues (Capt.), N. Beltrao, E. L. Gesano, J. Gosano, L. G. Gosano, H. L. Ozorio, A. P. Pereira, A. M. Prata, W. A. Reed, P. M. N. da Silva, jnr. and E. M. L. Soares.

KOWLOON TEAMS

Kowloon teams to play Civil Service on Saturday are:

1st. XI (away).—D. J. N. Anderson (Captain), K. M. Baxter, F. A. and R. T. Broadbridge, E. F. Fincher, G. W. Giffen, S. V. Gittins, G. A. Goodban, R. E. Lee, N. D. Lloyd, G. A. White.

2nd. XI (home).—S. A. Gray (Captain), R. Baldwin, H. Brokenshire, L. W. Hume, B. D. Lay, J. R. Luke, T. A. Madar, W. L. McKenzie, G. E. Taylor, C. Walker, A. Wright.

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12.40 p.m.—Juck Hylton & His Orchestra.

Goodbye, Little Dream, Goodbye—Fox-Trot; At The Balalaika—Fox-Trot ("Balalaika"); Delyse—Waltz; Drinking Songs (Arr. Williams).

1 p.m.—Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 p.m.—Hubert Eisdell (Tenor) and Light Symphony Orchestra.

May Day Overture (Haydn Wood) ... Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer.

Go, Lovely Rose (Quilter); Take, O Take Those Lips Away; Hey, Ho, The Wind And The Rain (Shakespeare & Quilter) ... Hubert Eisdell (Tenor) with Piano.

Shepherd's Song (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood); Rondel; Mina (Elgar, arr. Haydn Wood) ... Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by Haydn Wood.

Love's Song Is Sung (Russell); Looking For You (Sanderson) ... Hubert Eisdell (Tenor) with Piano.

Valsette From "Wood Nymphs" (Eric Coates) ... Light Symphony Orchestra cond. by The Composer.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter and Rugby Press. Weather Forecast and Announcements.

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1.40 p.m.—Compositions of Lehar. Gipsy Love—Overture ... Edith Lorand & Her Viennese Orch.

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"Count Of Luxembourg" Waltz ... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

"The Merry Widow"—I Love You ... Richard Crooks (Tenor) with Orch.

Stay With Me For Ever ("Giuditta"); My Lips Are Made For Kissing ("Giuditta") ... Marek Weber & His Orchestra.

The Czarevitch (Oparetta in Brief) ... Herbert E. Groh (Tenor) and Tresi Rudolph (Soprano) with Chorus and Orchestra from the Berlin State Opera.

Ball Sirens—Waltz Tunes (from 'Merry Widow') ... Orchestra Mascotte.

2.15 p.m.—Close down.

6 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.

7 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations.

7.02 p.m.—Songs by Alfred Piccaver (Tenor).

The Song Of Songs (Moya); Trees (Rasbach); Love Sends A Little Gift Of Roses (Openshaw) ... with Piano accomp.

7.10 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—The Old Contemptibles Part 1. The Record of the British Expeditionary Force from Mons to Ypres, between August and November, 1914. By Beatrix

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7.40 p.m.—Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

1. Orpheus in the Underworld—Overture (Offenbach).

2. Madrigale (Veronesi).

Interval

When the Moon Rises Over Marechiarie (Tosti) ... Enzo de Muro

Lomanto (Tenor) with Mandolines.

3. The Mill in the Forest (Seybold).

8 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 p.m.—Studio—Z.B.W. Orchestra.

4. Strimpellata Amorosa (Pianizzi).

5. Fantasia Villareccia (Fiorino).

Interval

The Lass With The Delicate Air (Michael Arne); My Lovely Celia (Monro, arr. Lane Wilson)

... Nan Maryska (Soprano) with Piano accomp. by Ivor Newton.

6. La Reginetta delle Rose (Leoncavallo).

8.30 p.m.—London Relay—'At The Black Dog'. Mr. Wilkes at home in his own bar-parlour. Presented by S. E. Reynolds and Pascoe Thornton.

9 p.m.—Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—No Greater Love; Lost ... Guy Lombardo & His Royal Canadians with vocal refrain.

Tango—Moonlight On The Rio Grande ... Heinz Huppertz & His Orchestra.

Fox-Trots—Words Without Music; That Moment Of Moments ... Eddy Duchin & His Orchestra with vocal refrain.

9.15 p.m.—London Relay—'World Affairs'. A talk by H. Wickham Steed.

11 p.m.—Close down.

"The Old Contemptibles" B.B.C. Recording

9.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

9.50 p.m.—Request Programme of Classical Music.

Symphony No. 6 In G Major (The "Surprise" Symphony) (Mahdy) ... Boston Symphony Orchestra cond. by Serge Koussevitsky.

"Le Nozze Di Figaro"—Grant, O Love (Mozart) ... Tiana Lemnitz (Soprano) and The Berlin Philharmonic Orch. cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

Fantaisie Impromptu in C Sharp Minor, Op. 66 (Chopin) ... Alfred Cortot (Piano).

La Danza (Rossini) ... Miliza Korjus (Soprano) with Orchestra and Chorus cond. by Bruno Seidler-Winkler.

Hungarian Rhapsody, No. 2 (Liszt) ... Philadelphia Symphony Orchestra cond. by Leopold Stokowski.

"I Pagliacci"—Prologue (Leoncavallo) ... Apollo Granforte (Baritone) and Members of La Scala Orch., Milan, cond. by Carlo Sabajno.

Concerto Grosso In B Flat Major (Handel) ... Leon Goossens (Oboe) and The London Philharmonic Orch. cond. by Eugene Goossens.

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♦ K 10 6 5
♣ Mr. Jacoby

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Pass	2♠	3♦	4♠
Pass	6♠	Pass	Pass

Mr. Jacoby's explanation of the terrific bidding he gave with one King and two Queens was that he felt certain his partner would not have more than one heart, and he

was disappointed when his partner showed up with two.

The King of diamonds was opened. Mr. Jacoby ruffed with the three of spades and took quick stock. He counted five trumps and two Aces in dummy as seven tricks, his own King of clubs as eight, and four diamond ruffs as twelve. However, in order to get four diamond ruffs, he had to get to dummy three more times. His first thought was that a low trump lead overtaken by dummy's King would be one of these entries, but if he made that play, he would eventually have to ruff with both the Queen and Jack of spades, and if East held all three missing trumps, East would then have a trump trick.

The bidding indicated that West must hold at least ten red cards—hence a 3-0 break in trumps was not unlikely. Accordingly, Mr. Jacoby played the hand as follows: First, he laid down the Queen of spades, then played a club to the Ace, trumped a diamond, played a heart to the Ace, trumped another diamond, played the King of clubs, ruffed a third club, trumped the last diamond with his Jack of trumps, ruffed the fourth club and made his eleventh and twelfth tricks with dummy's Ace-King of spades, thereby making the hand.

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Hong Kong, 12th December, 1938.



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Twenty years hard labour was the sentence passed yesterday on the wife of General Skoblin—the Plewitzkaja—as the outcome of the verdict of the jury following proceedings lasting nine days.

The jury considered that sufficient evidence had been heard to prove that the Plewitzkaja had been engaged in espionage work for the Soviet G.P.U. thus ending one of the most sensational trials in French history.

In arriving at the verdict, the Jury had to settle several questions, for instance, whether General Miller had been held prisoner, in this, whether force had been used whether the Plewitzkaja assisted against General Miller, whether he had been enticed and whether the accused could be considered as implicated in the offence.

The measure of punishment depended upon the answer the jury gave to these questions.

The smallest punishment would have been 6 days' imprisonment the highest, penal servitude for life.

The alleged motives for the actions of the accused, as advanced by the counsel for the defence were declared unconvincing.

A deep impression was made on

these attending the trial by the dignified bearing of Mrs. von Miller, wife of the kidnapped general. During the reading of the sentence she showed no trace of emotion.—Trans-Ocean.

ARABS FORM "GOVERNMENT" IN PALESTINE

Cairo, To-day.

"The General Staff of the Arab Revolution" as the organisation of leaders of the Arab irregulars in Palestine have hitherto been known, will henceforth call itself the "Arab

National Government in Palestine," according to despatches.

The new "Government" has already entered into negotiations with the Governments of the neighbouring Arab countries to secure *de facto* recognition by them of its existence.

The new "Government" is said to have created courts of law and to have given instructions for payment of taxes by Palestine Arabs into its own exchequer.—Trans-Ocean.

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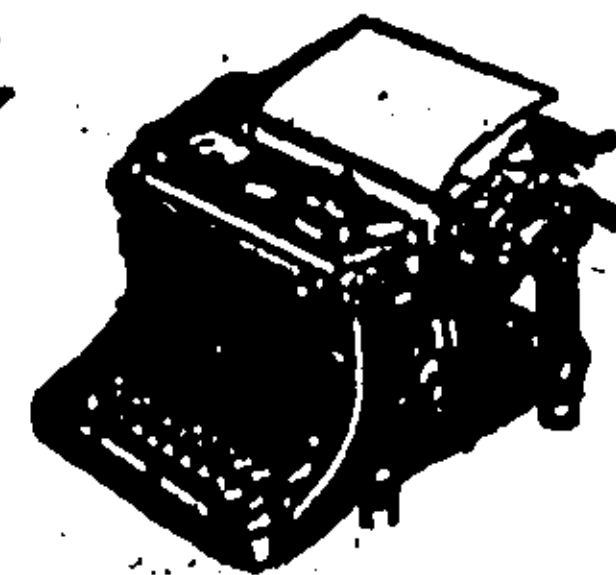
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